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Urged to Run, White Not Yet Decided on Mayoral Race

By Isabelle Hall

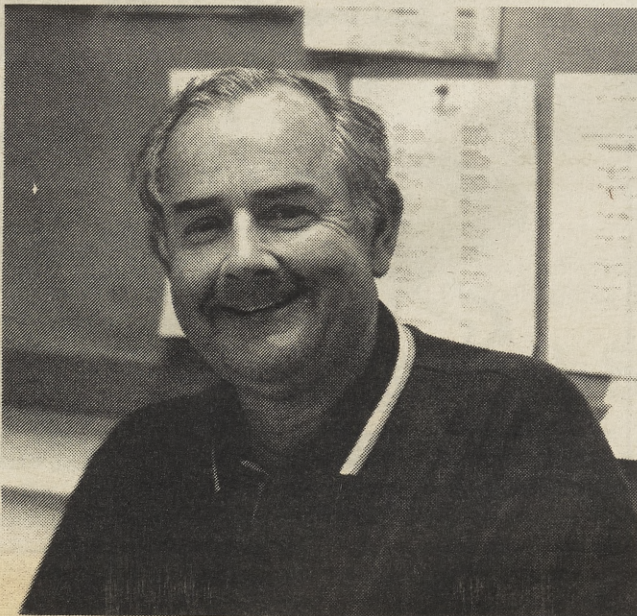
City Councilman Ken White said people are urging him to run for mayor of Carmel in 1992 but he is not yet ready to decide.

In the manner of political speech, Mayor Jean Grace said last month she also had not decided on next year's race but she thinks White will certainly be an opponent and, he told the *Sun* he is "sure she's going to run."

During a lengthy interview, White said he doesn't like the idea of sitting at the council table as a candidate, "I like my other council people, and I don't want to cause a split. Knowing you have an opponent isn't good."

"I've got people talking to me, urging me to run," he added. "I'm really surprised at the cross-section. I'm very gratified. My decision is between my wife and myself. She's the reason I'm there. She's my best friend."

Still, the veteran Monterey teacher and high school athletic director has the issues facing



COUNCILMAN KEN WHITE

Carmel on his mind.

"The hostelry taxes are up and the sales tax (revenues) are down," he said, expressing concern at the city's budget position. After a morning spent giving CPR recertification classes at the Carmel Red Cross Friday, White planned to drive through town on Labor Day weekend eve—normally a busy weekend for tourists—to see for himself how many of the motels and inns had "No Vacancy" signs.

Since he became chairman of the Ad Hoc Hospitality and Cultural Commission, White said he believes that Carmel needs to help promote its many cultural events in hopes of producing what he calls "quality tourists." When revenues declined this year, some city expenditures had to be frozen for lack of funds. Carmel relies heavily for its annual \$8 million budget on tourist-generated funds such as the hostelry and sales taxes.

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Mayor Wins Latest Round In Appointments Fight

By Isabelle Hall

With a key vote from the prevailing City Council majority, Carmel Mayor Jean Grace beat back a formal attack Tuesday on her authority to make appointments, at least in the latest round of a continuing fight.

The council split 3-2 to defeat a motion by Councilman Jim Wright that would have split the authority to make nominations to the city's numerous boards and commissions among all five council members.

It was unanimous, however, in a separate vote to set criteria for such volunteers who do much of the city's business, particularly the Planning Commission which is in the center of the fight. As a result, Grace's nomination of Betty Parese to the Planning Commission was defeated 3-2 when Wright said he would approve no appointments until the criteria were established.

In the key vote Councilman Ken White, who had formed the majority bloc on many issues in the past with Councilmembers Jim Wright and Barbara Brooks, warned, "don't get excited because I'm going to disagree with Councilman Wright."

Though neither has announced, both Grace and White have said they expect each other to run for mayor in 1992. (See White interview on this page.) In the hour-long debate over the mayor's authority, there were many suggestions that the issue be put on the ballot next April or that the mayoral election would ultimately be the deciding factor.

The overall tone of the discussion was low-keyed with the councilmembers restraining themselves to just a few verbal exchanges in comparison to previous acrimony that led members of the audience to chastise them for quarreling.

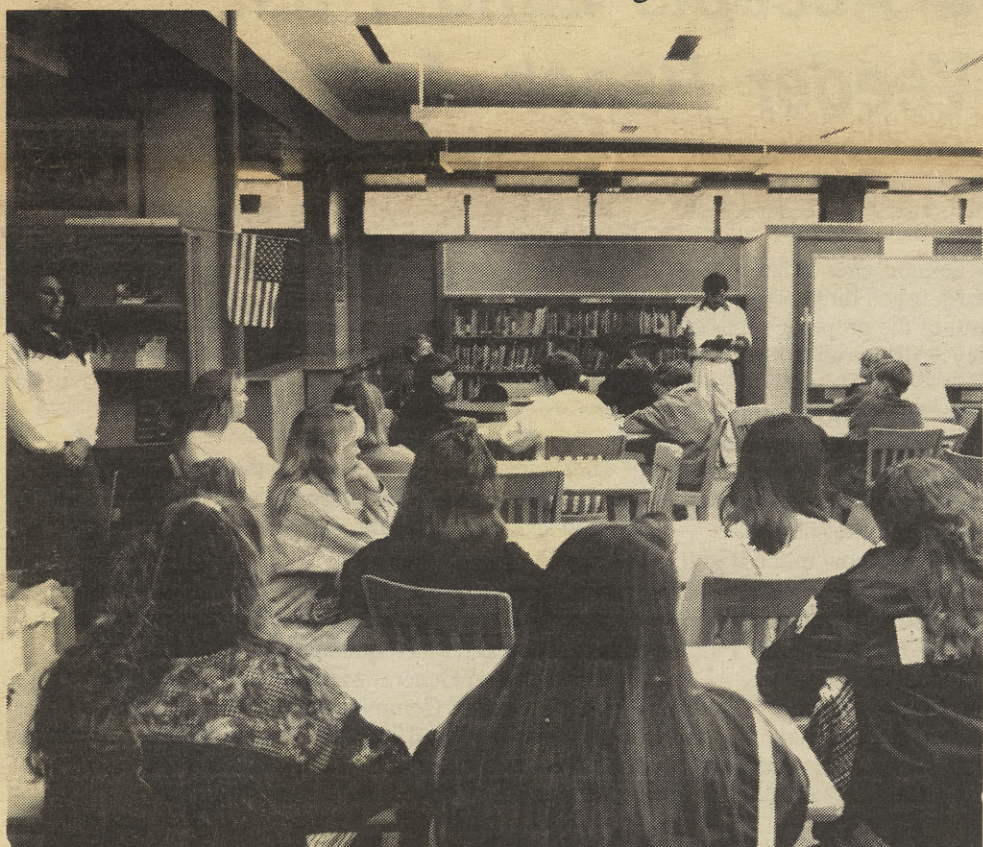
"Watch the roof because I'm going to agree with the mayor," White said, supporting her insistence that all public business be done in public as required by the Brown Act. When the council majority blocked her appointments earlier this year, Grace made them public in advance, changing the system whereby approval was given behind

closed doors or a nominee never made it to the council table.

The appointments debate, however, is far from over. After White joined Grace and Councilman Bob Fischer to knock down Wright's motion, White then made a subsequent motion to bring the issue back in October. This passed 3-2 with Grace and Fischer dissenting.

Saying he wanted to have some kind of public interview process for candidates, White moved to have the staff prepare three alternatives for an ordinance: the mayor nominating with a public interview process; the council nominating with an interview process; and some kind of elimination vote system patterned after that used in Laguna Beach.

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SPILLING INTO THE LIBRARY, Middle School students found four classrooms not ready on the first day of school due to asbestos removal. See page 3 for a story on the district's increased enrollment.

Sun photo by Carolyn Rice

Dam/Desal Proposal Three Times As Costly as Dam Vetoed by Feds

By Stan Hall

The projected \$126 million capital cost of the water management district's plan to build both a new Los Padres dam and a desalination plant is almost three times the pricetag on new San Clemente dam that federal agencies rejected four years ago.

However, Chairman Dale Hekhuis of the district's board, contended that the \$44 million cost of the earlier proposed dam project was significantly underestimated.

He said it reflected 1986 dollars, contained no cost escalation for inflation and failed to reflect more than \$20 million worth of improvements that Cal-Am must make as part of any new dam.

"It's not really apples and apples," Hekhuis said when asked about the disparity in the costs of the different projects. He noted that the new EIR/EIS reflected costs in the year 2002, which were

adjusted upward for inflation in the next decade.

Cost estimates for 10 new water supply options were contained in a 900-page environmental impact report/statement (EIR/EIS) on a new dam on the Carmel River that was accepted by the district's board last week.

It is now being reviewed by the dozens of state and federal agencies that must approve it before any project can be built. The review period runs until Oct. 23.

The projected cost of a new 16,000-acre-foot Los Padres reservoir and a 3 million gallon-a-day desalting plant was the second highest of all the options analyzed in the EIR/EIS. Highest was a proposed off-stream Cañada reservoir near the mouth of the Valley at an estimated \$227 million. (See the accompanying chart on page 8.)

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Hatton Freeway Gets Big Boost

The controversial and long-delayed Hatton Canyon Freeway past Carmel finally has made it over a big hurdle.

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has notified the Federal Highway Administration (FHA) that it agrees that the freeway is "the least-damaging practicable alternative" to relieving congestion on Highway 1. The notification came in a letter from Harry Seraydarian, director of the EPA's water management division. It was dated Aug. 23.

Tom Pollock, district director of Caltrans, which has championed the freeway, told the *Sun* that the EPA's decision was "very critical" to winning ultimate approval of the freeway.

The Army Corp of Engineers still must also agree with that assessment, he said, suggesting that he expected that agreement perhaps as early as this week. That would mean that the freeway has at least conceptual approval of the federal agencies, he said.

Even then, "We still have to satisfy

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LETTERS

Lonely German Shepherd

There is a big, handsome German Shepherd patrolling Cachagua Road near Sky Ranch Estates. When we first saw him four days ago we stopped, and tried to make friends. He was not interested in us.

We went home to where we live in Sky Ranch, got food and water, and brought it back to him. While we were there several people stopped to offer help. People have continued to bring food and water, and have tried to get him to get in their cars or trucks. The agencies who work for stray animals have been notified, and have come, but they cannot get close to him. He just sits, looking off into the distance, sometimes raising his head in a mournful howl. It's now the fourth day, and we are still trying to make friends, perhaps to get a leash on him, but no luck.

Other people are having the same experience—some of the friends of "No Name" seem like old friends now. I am moved by this outpouring of concern by so many people who are sharing in this drama. It tells me that an animal can bring out the best in us. But what will become of this faithful dog, who waits for his family to remember, and come back for him?

Vic Colton
Carmel Valley

Likes Garland Park's New Look

It had been some time since I'd hiked in my favorite park, Garland Park, so when I decided to revisit it last week, I was in for several pleasant surprises. A number of main trails have been widened which, I assume, allows park personnel to maintain and oversee the reaches of the park. It was nice to see switchbacks and resting spots improved. The best thing, however, was the removal of the boundary line pine trees delineating the old boundary (between Garland Park and Cooper Ranch) which is no longer valid. Now we have the park opening up, revealing distant views including native river bottom trees in a natural setting.

I compliment and praise the planners for these helpful and logical improvements.

David Hagemeyer
Carmel

Credits Authors of CV Mini-Plan

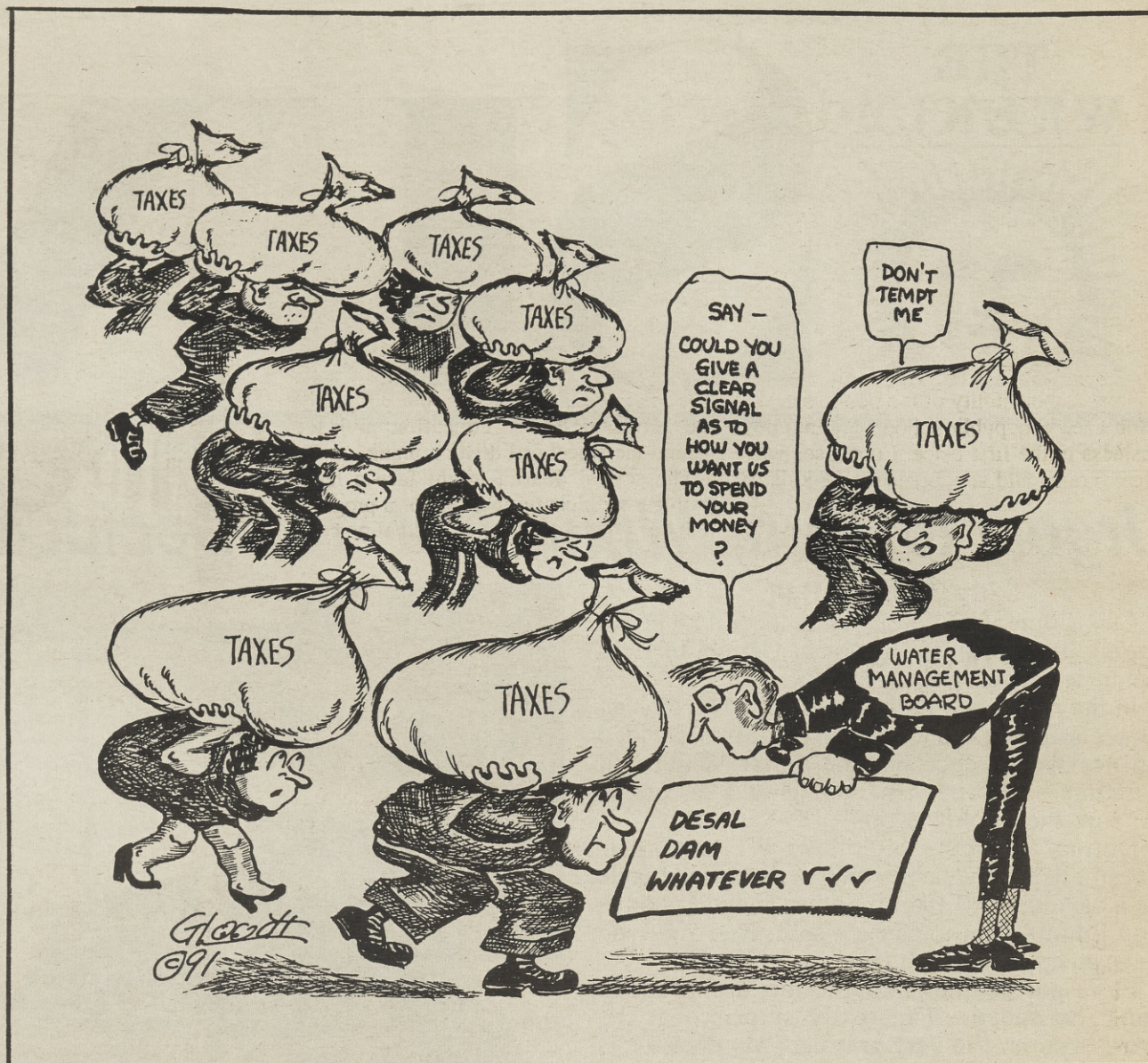
Your fine article concerning the past history and present uses of the Carmel Valley airport would certainly please both Byington and Tyree Ford, the late local innovators of the "Hangar in your own home" philosophy so popular in the late 1930's and early 1940's.

Along with "a chicken in every pot" motto of the Depression years, the urban commuter dream of a small private airplane garaged in your home and adjacent to a private airstrip did not come into too widespread acceptance until the post World War II era.

Incidentally, and by way of giving authorship credit where due for the "Mini-Master Plan—Carmel Valley Village," we submit that Bob Heald, Debbie Saxton, Randy Randazzo, Peter Coakley and the writer comprised the team that spent many long lunch hours over a two-year period developing a workable guide to future new construction and restorations in the Village.

Truly, the "Carmel Valley Master Plan" committee members who thoughtfully drafted the basic constraints to uncontrolled Valley growth and sensible design criteria should be commended for their wisdom and foresight, for creating this outstanding land use document.

Roger D. Williams
Carmel Valley



Park Board Accepts Land Trust Help For Veeder Ranch Appraisal

The Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District Board agreed Tuesday night to accept the Big Sur Land Trust's offer to help fund the cost of an appraisal of Veeder Ranch as a possible acquisition target.

The board acted in executive session after Brian Steen, executive director of the land trust, urged directors to give a priority ranking to the purchase of the property south of Garzas Road in Carmel Valley Village with so-called mountain lion initiative funds.

Steen called it "an important acquisition" and said the land trust had a private pledge for half of the money for an appraisal, which he estimated would cost \$8,000. He later told the *Sun* that the land trust was seeking additional donations to help pay for an appraisal.

"Until it is appraised, we won't know how much it will take to buy it," Steen said. In passing, Steen also mentioned the land trust had received a \$25,000 donation to help pay for an appraisal of 1,727 acres east of Point Lobos that is proposed for commercial development.

Tim Condon, owner of the 83-acre Veeder Ranch, told the *Sun* that he would consider the sale of the property for preservation as an option, but was continuing

to seek approval of a 30-lot subdivision on the property. Condon declined to give a possible dollar figure.

But he said he would not consider a "raw land" price from the park district. "I would sell it at market value. It will have to be at the highest and best use—which is a subdivision," he said.

Condon added that he hoped to have approval of a tentative map for the subdivision by early next year. Noting that he had been working to win approval for some 14 years, he said, "We're getting there. We're making progress."

Directors did not take any further action on possible acquisition targets with Proposition 117 funding from the state, a spokesperson said.

In other action, the board:

- Agreed to advertise for a "seasonal maintenance technician" who would work nine months a year on construction and trail maintenance.
- Authorized General Manager Gary Tate to appeal the County Planning Commission's rejection of the park district's bid for a trail around Mission Ranch. The appeal would be to the Board of Supervisors.

In Rocky Shores Fuss

Measure A Rebuttal Ordered Changed

Superior Court Judge John Anton ruled Aug. 29 that Pacific Grove City Councilwoman Susan Whitman would have to change her rebuttal statement to a proposal on the Nov. 5 ballot to buy Rocky Shores property.

Pacific Grove City Council member Robert H. "Bud" Nunn sued Whitman and cosigners of the rebuttal, Nadine Annand, Robert Dease and Jack Holt for making "false and misleading statements." Nunn, along with others, had signed the argument in favor of Measure A.

Measure A would provide for an increase in the Pacific Grove hotel occupancy tax of 1 percent to be used to assist in financing the acquisition and restoration of Rocky Shores.

Part of the rebuttal, submitted to be printed in the sample ballot and voter information pamphlet, stated that:

- "no development proposals are pending on this property"
- "the parks district manager says that the parks district can arrange financing to purchase all of Rocky Shores. Why do we need to increase the TOT (transient occupancy tax)?"

Anton ruled that the word viable should be added to the first statement making it read, "no viable development proposals are pending on this property."

He also ruled that the second statement be struck from the rebuttal.

Gary Tate, Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District general manager, testified that the park district had never said it could buy all seven parcels.

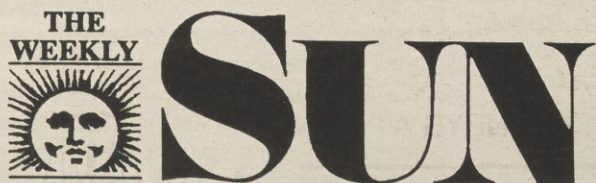
He said after the hearing that the opponents of Measure A had taken out of context information in a story in the *Sun* on Aug. 8, which dealt with only four of the seven lots making up the area, the four that the park district is attempting to buy.

The park district has a contract to purchase two Rocky Shore lots with an option to purchase two additional lots. Early in August, Tate had told the *Sun* that the purchase of the first two could fall through if the park district could not raise \$800,000 to pay for the second two.

Tate also testified that he had talked to the owner of one of the seven lots, a man from Texas, who "did not say anything to encourage us (the park district)," that he would sell to the park district.

According to other testimony, the man has talked to local officials about building on his lot but has no permit at present.

The Pacific Grove City Council voted 4 to 1 to put the tax proposal on the ballot with Whitman opposing it. Nunn is a strong supporter of the proposal.



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Board Urged to Drop Driver Training; to Decide Sept. 12

By Carolyn Rice

The Carmel school board will decide Sept. 12 whether high school students taking driver's ed will have to go elsewhere for the over-the-road training they need to obtain a license.

"Other agencies are set up to do this," said board member Hilton Bialek of the behind-the-wheel instruction. "I don't think it is the responsibility of the public school. I don't see why public schools got into this business in the first place. I don't see why taxpayers should support teaching kids to drive."

"Do more people swim or drive?" asked Patricia Condren, referring to the board's requirement that all graduates know how to swim. She added that she did not want to be on the street with people who did not know how to drive, saying it was a survival skill needed by young people.

"I don't know why we teach people to swim, either," Bialek said.

Later, the board agreed to discuss swimming requirement at its next meeting. It will be at 7 p.m. at the district's office at Carmel Middle School. Condren said it's possible for a straight A student not receive a diploma because he can't swim.

Superintendent Vance Baldwin presented the board with three options on driver training:

- continue the contract with Elischer's Driving School, a private company, for the over-the-road training and use General Fund money to support the program
- establish a fee-based program with a cost to students of \$80 to \$105
- refer students who have completed the classroom portion of drivers training to Elischer's or other schools at a personal cost to the students of around \$150.

The state requires the district to teach the classroom portion of driver's ed, but is under no such mandate for the actual driving instruction.

Baldwin recommended the third option to the board with the provision that the school district would pay half the cost for low income students who need their driver's license for a job which helps provide family income.

Infelise hugged each board member and told them he was looking forward to the future with two children in the system and the contribution he would make as a part-time consultant to the district on health insurance.

The Board heard an hour long presentation on computer technology for the classroom from Richard Erdmann, chairman of Wasatch Education Systems in Salt Lake City, Utah. The district has budgeted \$100,000 for purchase of

computer equipment during this school year.

Bialek said the board needs to hear from the district's technology committee made up primarily of school staff who teach computer in order to make decisions on computer hardware and software purchases.

"I'm suggesting we get out of the business of driver training," Baldwin said. The district calls the classroom portion of the program driver education and the behind-the-wheel part driver training.

The school district might face a legal problem with charging a fee for a program that has previously been offered at no cost, Baldwin said.

About five years ago, the district switched the driver education class to the so-called zero period, 7:00 a.m., before the regular school day. At that time the board decided that student should spend the day in classes and not learning to drive, Baldwin said.

Monterey Unified School District recently bought new cars for their drivers' training, North Monterey County charges \$150 per student, and Salinas High \$168, Baldwin said.

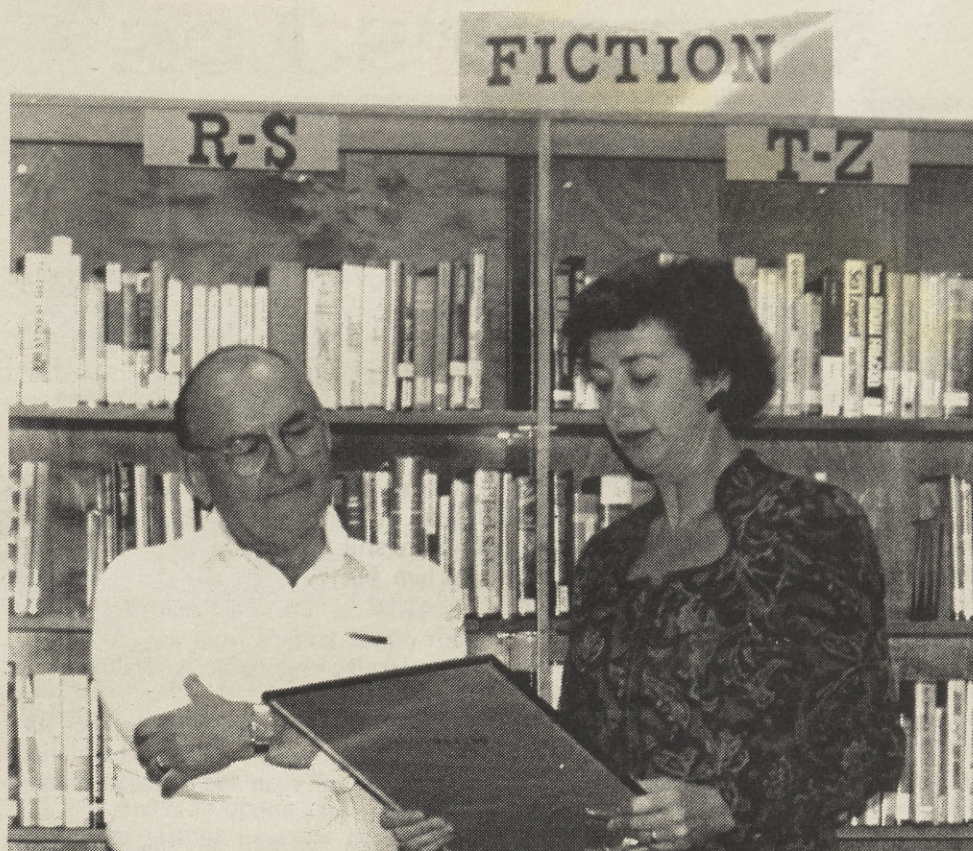
He added that Elischer's has said they would have to up their charge to the school district to \$105 per student this year to make a profit.

In 1989-90, the district spent \$7,760 on the driver training, \$11,040 in 1990-91 and estimated it would spend \$8,000 in 1991-1992 if it continued the program. In 1989-1990, 97 students took driver training and 138 in 1990-91. The district expects 100 students to enroll in it this school year.

This past summer 51 students took driver education but were unable to complete the on-the-road training through the district, and Baldwin said 12 students who took it last spring also were unable to schedule their driving hours with Elischer's before the district's contract expired June 30.

The state reimbursed school districts for driver training prior to 1989-1990 at \$80 per student, and the district contracted with Elischer's at that amount. But due to budget restraints, the state since 1989 has not reimbursed the districts for this program. However, the state this year plans to pay districts 42 percent of their 1989-1990 entitlement, but the reimbursement is for that year only, Baldwin said.

In other board business, Supervisor Karin Strasser Kauffman presented a plaque to retired superintendent Bob Infelise. "Since you've come, we've had a lot of goodwill, and I think that's it in a nutshell," Kauffman said after reading her commendation.



PRESENTING A PLAQUE, Karin Strasser Kauffman, county supervisor, thanked retiring Carmel School Superintendent Bob Infelise for his service.

Carmel School Enrollment Up

By Carolyn Rice

More students are enrolled in the Carmel Unified School District this year than last. About 2,232 students showed up on opening day Tuesday compared with an average enrollment of about 2,100 last year.

Tularcitos, Middle School and Carmel High accounted for the increase.

Middle School opened its doors to 525 students. "It's the most we've had in 7 years," according to Principal Karl Pallastrini. One teacher suggested the improved reputation of the school during past years and the current economic climate have brought in students who might have previously been enrolled in private schools.

Enrollment at Tularcitos rose to 520 students compared to 480 at the end of school last year, according to District Superintendent Vance Baldwin. The high school which closed last summer with an enrollment of 613 welcomed 649 students to the first day of school.

River School dropped from 454 to 430, Baldwin said, and Big Sur's Captain Cooper remained fairly steady with about 68 students.

Enrollment fluctuates during the first month as some enroll who don't show up and others return late from vacations, Baldwin said. "But it appears that we could be up as many as 100 students."

"We don't like the class sizes at some grade levels at Tularcitos," Baldwin said. Two kindergartens have 28 to 30 students and the fourth and fifth grades have 29 or 30 children in each class.

In comparison, the kindergartens at River have 21 and 22 students. The three River fourth grades have 28 students, but the fifth grades only have 21 to 23 students.

Carmel Valley High, the alternative high school, reported 40 students. It has a maximum enrollment of 45, which a school official said could likely be reached by the end of the week.

Baldwin said that the average classroom size in the district last year was 25 students per class in the elementary grades.

Students tend to come through the system in groups at certain grade levels, and the student population has never been evenly distributed throughout the grades or within the district, Baldwin said, making for problems with the class sizes.

Pallastrini described opening day at Middle School as "hectic" because of the increased enrollment and not having four classrooms ready for use because of an asbestos abatement repair project.

The work got started on time but was not completed because of a lack of workers trained to remove asbestos. Pallastrini said contractors can use only workers who have had 40 hours of training for removal of asbestos, and such workers are hard to find.

The rooms should be ready by the end of the week, he said. Students will attend half-a-day two days this week, so teachers can set up the rooms when they are ready.

For now, students will go to the library for classes that were scheduled for the rooms that are being repaired.

Pallastrini said Middle School finished last year with a student population of 484. Seven years ago enrollment was 401, he said. This year's enrollment, while up, does not approach the 800 plus student body the school had in the late 60's and early 70's.

Carmel Traffic Tickets Hit by State Law

Caught by surprise by an unpublicized state law, the City of Carmel must postpone its budget deliberations until its effect on income from traffic tickets can be sorted out, Administrator Doug Schmitz said.

The law, SB21, includes a requirement that an additional \$2 be added to all parking fines, half to go to the County and half to be forwarded to the State.

Schmitz said the County now gets \$1.50 per \$10 overtime parking ticket. Meter maids issue between 35,000 and 45,000 citations annually, providing a major source of revenue for the city.

What has to be determined, he said, is whether the County is to get an additional 50 cents or \$2 which, based on the amount, could cost the city anywhere from \$17,000 to \$90,000. Also to be decided is whether the parking ticket charge will have to be raised to cover the extra amount for the County.

The City Council was to have met Sept. 25 to adopt amendments to the second year of its biennial budget. Now, Schmitz, said the meeting will be set for Oct. 1.

In a memo to Schmitz, Police Chief John McGilvray said the state law has no author and became effective the date it was signed by Gov. Pete Wilson Aug. 5.

"This provision of the bill caught all cities by surprise, and the League of California cities is now working for an amendment for the bill to have an 'effective date' or 'not later than' date specified so that cities can make appropriate changes in bail schedules," McGilvray said.

California cities, including Carmel, sued the state earlier to protest new laws which imposed County charges for the collection of jail booking fees and property taxes.

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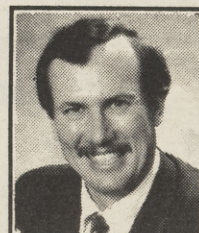
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SHERIFF'S LOG

SOUTH COAST. A Woodland Hills woman said her car was burglarized while parked at Highway 1 and Esalen Institute. A purse containing credit cards, \$35 and an opal ring being taken, she said. 8/26.

CARMEL. A woman reported the theft of mail from her mailbox on Torland Trail on 8/17. 8/26.

CARMEL RANCHO. A real estate man said someone left a threat on his answering machine over the weekend. 8/26.

SOUTH COAST. A woman reported her neighbor on Yankee Point was behaving strangely; the neighbor was taken to Community Hospital and then transferred to Natividad. 8/26.

Construction Site Theft

HIGHLANDS. A contractor reported the theft of a French door and a shop-vac from a construction site on Mt. Devon. 8/26.

MID VALLEY. A woman complained about a neighbor's barking dog on Scarlet Road. No one was at home where the dog was, so the woman was advised to call animal control. 8/26.

MID VALLEY. A woman reported her purse was taken from her Hacienda Place home on 8/24-25. The purse was found in the backyard of a nearby home with \$5 missing. 8/26.

CARMEL RANCHO. A merchant in the Barnyard reported a foul odor was coming from a sewer line at the nearby Caltrans maintenance yard. He said it was driving his customers away. 8/26.

VILLAGE. An anonymous caller complained about a loud party on Village Drive. Contacted, the owner agreed to hold it down. 8/26.

CARMEL. A supervisor for Monterey County reported finding an employee, Orville Riley, dead at his home on San Marcus. 8/27.

License Plates Stolen

MID VALLEY. Two visitors to Saddle Mountain Recreation reported their license plates were stolen overnight. 8/27.

RIO ROAD. A Safeway employee reported a shoplifter ran from the store; deputies arrested the man later on Highway 1 and jailed him. 8/27.

CACHAGUA. A woman at Jensen's Camp reported having trouble with her

neighbor's dog; she was referred to animal control. 8/27.

CACHAGUA. A woman reported someone threw a rock through her bathroom window at her home at Prince's Camp. 8/27.

Pistol Taken in Burglary

VILLAGE. A resident of Paso Mediano said his home was entered during the day and a .357 pistol and \$10 in change was stolen. 8/28.

VILLAGE. A Cachagua woman was stopped in the Village deputies for driving erratically and was held for arrest by CHP officers. 8/28.

CARMEL. A Carmel man reported the theft of the battery from his car while it was parked at his home on Hatton Road. 8/28.

CARMEL RANCHO. The owner of a shoe repair shop reported it was burglarized over night with cash and replacement shoe soles being taken. 8/29.

CARMEL. A man on Via Mar Monte reported the theft of his VCR. 8/29.

MID VALLEY. A Salinas man, walking in Carmel Valley Road near Via Contenta, was arrested for drunkenness. 8/29.

\$75 Mailbox Stolen

MID VALLEY. A man who lives on Miramonte reported someone took his cedar mailbox valued at \$75. 8/30.

HIGHLANDS. A resident reported a strange woman wandering on her property. 8/30.

RIO ROAD. A Carmel woman said her car was vandalized while parked at the post office. 8/30.

CARMEL. A woman who lives in Carmel Knolls reported the theft of jewelry "some time in the past." 8/30.

VILLAGE. A man said someone tried to steal the Chevy emblem off his '69 Impala, but ran when he approached. 8/30.

MID VALLEY. A woman said her mailbox on Tierra Grande was knocked over while she was away. 8/30.

MID VALLEY. A Tierra Grande resident said someone shot the sliding glass door on her home with a pellet gun. 8/30.

RIO ROAD. A Michigan woman said she lost her purse, possibly at the Crossroads. 8/30.

Started by Children, Fire Scorches Acre of Hitchcock Canyon Grass

A fire started by playing children scorched about an acre of grass in Hitchcock Canyon Saturday before it was brought under control by residents and the Carmel Valley Volunteer Fire Department.

The California Department of Forestry also responded, sending two engines, a battalion chief and dispatching two aerial tankers with a small air-control plane from their Hollister base.

The aerial tankers were not needed, but Capt. Jeff Frye of the Carmel Valley department said the parents of the children whose campfire started the blaze could be billed for CDF's costs under a cost reimbursement program.

"The parents of the children might get a bill on this," Frye told the Sun. He said it could range from \$500 to \$2,000.

Frye said the children had built a campfire while playing cowboys and Indians, and it got out of control. "There was nothing malicious about it," he said. "It was an accident."

Carmel Valley sent about 20 men, two engines and a water tender to the blaze which was reported just after 2 p.m. Residents of the area, near the end of Hitchcock Canyon Road, already were working to contain the blaze with shovels and hoes.

Marvin Pylate, who lives in the canyon, said the grass had been grazed and was short so the fire spread slowly. He said he did not think there was ever any danger of it spreading to wooded parts of the canyon unless a strong wind had suddenly sprung up.

Obscene Call from Prison

MID VALLEY. A woman reported receiving a lewd, collect telephone call from an inmate at Leavenworth Prison in Kansas. 8/30.

CARMEL. A man reported his two, 8-year-old sons had been taking mail from mailboxes in their neighborhood. 8/30.

RIO ROAD. A transient was arrested for shoplifting at the Safeway in the Crossroads. 8/30.

VILLAGE. A Carmel Valley man, found asleep in his car with a cut on the back of his head, was cited for public drunkenness. He told deputies he did not know how he got the cut. 8/30.

RIO ROAD. A Carmel Valley Village man was cited for shoplifting a \$1.97 bag of chewing tobacco at Longs Drugs. 8/31.

Car Emblems Lifted

VILLAGE. Residents told deputies several emblems had been removed from cars parked on Country Club Way. 8/31.

EAST VALLEY. An employee of Rana Creek Ranch reported hearing seven gunshots, but deputies found nothing. 8/31.

VILLAGE. A Rippling River resident said several vehicles had been vandalized with their hood ornaments and emblems being taken. Three young boys were

reported to have been seen in the parking lot. 8/31.

RIO ROAD. Employees of the Rio Grill made a citizens' of a Montecito man after he threw his wine glass in the restaurant. 8/31.

HIGHWAY 1. A transient, found passed out under the Carmel River bridge, was arrested for drunkenness and outstanding warrants. 8/31.

CARMEL. A Carmel Knolls man flagged down a deputy to report all four tires on his car had been slashed while the vehicle was parked in front of his house. 9/1.

BIG SUR. Employees of the Glen Oaks Motel reported several guests' cars had been broken into during the night. 9/2.

Annoying Calls Reported

MID VALLEY. A woman said someone kept calling her Del Mesa home and playing music over the telephone. "She was very upset," deputies said. 9/2.

HIGHLANDS. The Highlands Inn reported a guest left without paying after saying he would return to pay. 9/2.

VILLAGE. An anonymous call complained about a barking dog on Panetta Road. Deputies said no one was home where the dog was. 9/2.



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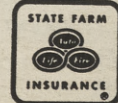
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White Says He is Urged to Run

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"I asked the council to create the cultural committee to bring together culture and business," he said. "Basically it's my theory that for every dollar spent on a cultural event ticket, \$3.25 is spent in the community." He cited a 1989 study by the National Endowment of the Arts for his figures.

White thinks local restaurants should sponsor "Early Bird Specials," for example, to help draw people to attend such events as the Bach Festival and Forest Theater plays because these produce "visitors who come to stay in Carmel, who put their cars in a motel off-street parking lot, walk around town, support the city by shopping there, and become friends with the residents."

The city draws in some \$1.5 million a year now from tourists attending its cultural events, White said, without any active program to attract them.

He also served on the Landlord/Tenant Committee but regrets that its membership did not include more commercial property owners because "when you come down to it, it's the dollar incentive that is the problem," a reference to the problem of attracting traditional small shops to Carmel in the face of sky high rents.

White and his blonde wife, Jean, live in the house his great uncle, George Beardsley, built in 1909. He noted that Beardsley was a member of the first City Council after Carmel incorporated on Oct. 31, 1916. The city celebrates its diamond anniversary this fall.

Proud to be following in that tradition, White, 57, traced his steps up the political ladder to his present well-positioned seat to run for mayor.

In 1976, Mayor Gunnar Norberg asked White, then the newly appointed Athletic Director at Monterey High School, to work on a study for a Carmel recreation center.

Norberg's successors, Barney Laiolo, Charlotte Townsend and Clint Eastwood, all also sought his help, and a Recreation Center finally achieved fruition under Eastwood, he said.

"I'm real proud of that committee," White said. He spent two years serving on the Beach and Forestry Committee and in 1984 was named to the Planning Commission, a group he chaired for two years.

White was sitting in the audience at a regular City Council meeting the night Eastwood, piqued at what White called "some of the fundamental beliefs of some of the members," fired the entire Planning Commission.

"I was shocked," White recalled. "I had no idea it was coming. Then he named a new commission, and I was the only one rehired. I'm real grateful for that."

"Then I ran for council and got elected, and here I am," he said. "I'm the only guy I know who had that much experience."

Asked who is urging him to run, White would only reiterate that they came from "a real cross-section" of the community.

Endorsed by the Carmel Residents Association (CRA) when he ran for council, White said he had not talked to its board of directors about running for mayor. He said he did meet with Olaf Dahlstrand, president of the newly-created Voice of Carmel, an Eastwood group, and told him, "I hope they'll stay independent. I asked them to sponsor independent forums."

He said he "sends dues" to the CRA and to the Northwest Neighborhood Association because he thinks both are "valuable organizations."

"Carmel has always had strong, vocal people," White said. But he likes to take his cue from a motto on the wall of his office at the high school which says, "At last count gossip was running down



"FALA" IS THE TERM Councilman Ken White has affectionately bestowed on his Carmel house. It was built in 1909 by his great uncle, also a Carmel councilman.

Sun photo by Isabelle Hall

more people than automobiles."

"I learned that from coaching," White explained, "If you don't have people going in the same direction, you don't get anything accomplished. I'm really committed to that. We need to stop chipping at each other. We're spending more time running down people than we are solving problems."

White, who keeps in shape jogging three miles daily at 6 a.m. on Scenic Drive, also skis, golfs and plays a bit of tennis. He formed the council majority with Jim Wright and Barbara Brooks for much of his present term on such controversial issues as the fight over houses sizes.

Unabashedly proud of his own 82-year-old house, he even defended it during a crowded council meeting at the Women's Club as "My little house 'Fala.'"

Attacked by proponents of more square footage for having what was described as a

big house, White said he felt compelled to defend his home much as President Roosevelt had defended his little Scotty dog years ago.

On a tour of his house, built of hard red fir that looks like it would last centuries, White said it had only about 1,900 square feet, a view of the ocean, and a large area for his gardening hobby on two sides which provided ample space from his immediate neighbor's house. Six-foot tall roses bloomed on the south side of the house, dahlias on the northwest and long rows of orchids grew in pots.

White, and his wife, who has taught physical education at Santa Catalina School for the past 19 years, bought the house from his parents 20 years ago and raised their children, Michael, 25, and Stacey, 23, there. Jean White is actively involved in

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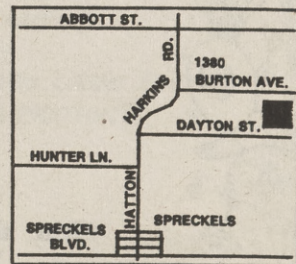
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Council Votes on Appointments

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Puzzled over how the Laguna Beach system would work, one woman called from the audience, "Just like electing the Pope," to a burst of laughter.

The Carmel Residents Association (CRA) backed Wright's bid to share the appointments authority as more "democratic" than letting the mayor do it alone and urged that no more appointments be made until the process was changed.

"The CRA testimony is vague to the point of total fuzziness," Grace countered. Saying the job of mayor required a "workhorse," she said she never would have run to be "a mere figurehead. I believe that this should go to the ballot. The people should decide—do they want an elected mayor any more. It's not up to the Council to keep the mayor in line. That's up to the people."

"I would not be your mayor now if I was beholden to a majority of the council," Grace said, declaring that whether she was mayor or not she would fight "tooth and nail" for the mayor's prerogatives.

Proponents of the present system included former Mayor Barney Laiolo and Don Kremer, whose nomination to the Forest and Beach Commission Grace brought back to the Council twice before winning approval.

Erling Lagerholm asked the council to "think about a time when you might become mayor yourself. Wouldn't you like the ability to make logical appointments of your own choice?"

Councilwoman Brooks complained to Grace that one of the problems that initiated the fight over the mayor's authority "was when you began changing the policy unilaterally. You took away some of our prerogatives...There's been a major attempt to bring the Council into submission...It shouldn't be decided as you did unilaterally to bring candidates to speak before us...It

was a grandstanding effort to get the Council to vote the way you wanted."

Citing the lack of any criteria at present, Wright voted against Grace's current nominee Parese, a former travel agency owner and real estate agent in the Pleasanton area, and was joined by White and Brooks. As she did when her nominees to the powerful Planning Commission were defeated earlier this year, Grace said she would be back next month with another appointee because that was what the law required.

Meanwhile, Commissioner Lindsay Hanna, whose term has expired creating the vacancy, agreed to serve up to another 90 days to give the Council time to come to some agreement. During the debate, he commented, "Three of the council members have been less than enthusiastic about the mayor's nominees. It doesn't mean there's anything wrong with the system...Three aces beat two kings. It's just arithmetic."

Wright said he wanted criteria established for the Planning Commission which would require that at least four of the seven members have no "economic ax to grind" in the Carmel business community.

Fischer said such a requirement would be a return to the "old boy system" where every councilmember had his own commissioner beholden to him. He demanded to know how such a restriction could apply to the commission which he said mostly considers applications for residential construction. "You can say we shouldn't have any residents because they may have to deal with residential issues."

"Why now?" Fischer demanded of Wright. "Do you want to wait until the next election and put it on the ballot? I challenge you. You approved the policy under (former Mayor Charlotte) Townsend but not under (former Mayor Clint) Eastwood because you had no majority," Fischer said. "Now our poor mayor's being

Carmel Rejects County Request For Holman Highway Traffic Study

The Carmel City Council refused Tuesday to take part in a state and local government Trigger Mechanism Study to control growth in the Holman Highway corridor north of the city.

Chairman Sam Karas of the County Board of Supervisors sought Carmel's cooperation in a letter Aug. 22 in which he said, "The future development and the resultant traffic congestion that will occur along the Holman Highway will affect all adjoining jurisdictions."

"Since potential traffic congestion is a common problem of the cities and the County, it is imperative that we work together," Karas said, to carry out a County work program to explore such traffic management methods as a trigger that would put restrictions on development in the area.

A memo from Planning Director Robert Slimmon, Jr., said the affected agencies

from which the County sought a "firm commitment of full support" included Carmel, Pacific Grove, Monterey, Seaside, Caltrans and AMBAG.

The council acted on a memo from City Administrator Doug Schmitz which noted that since Carmel-by-the-Sea "is neither adjacent to nor along the Holman Highway corridor and the development for which the trigger criteria is to be developed is not within the City or its Sphere of Influence, it is recommended that the City Council respectfully decline to participate in the study."

Schmitz noted that Carmel had previously participated in studies involving Holman Highway due to its concerns about adequate and sufficient access to Community Hospital for its residents and visitors. The hospital is at the northeast end of the highway.

County Gives Carmel Birthday Greetings

Supervisor Karin Strasser Kauffman brought 75th birthday greetings from Monterey County, which has feuded with the City of Carmel on more than one occasion, to the City Council Tuesday.

"Little Carmel-by-the-Sea is truly a jewel in terms of its municipal government," she told the council, praising it and all previous

councils for having been able "to truly maintain" Carmel's residential character.

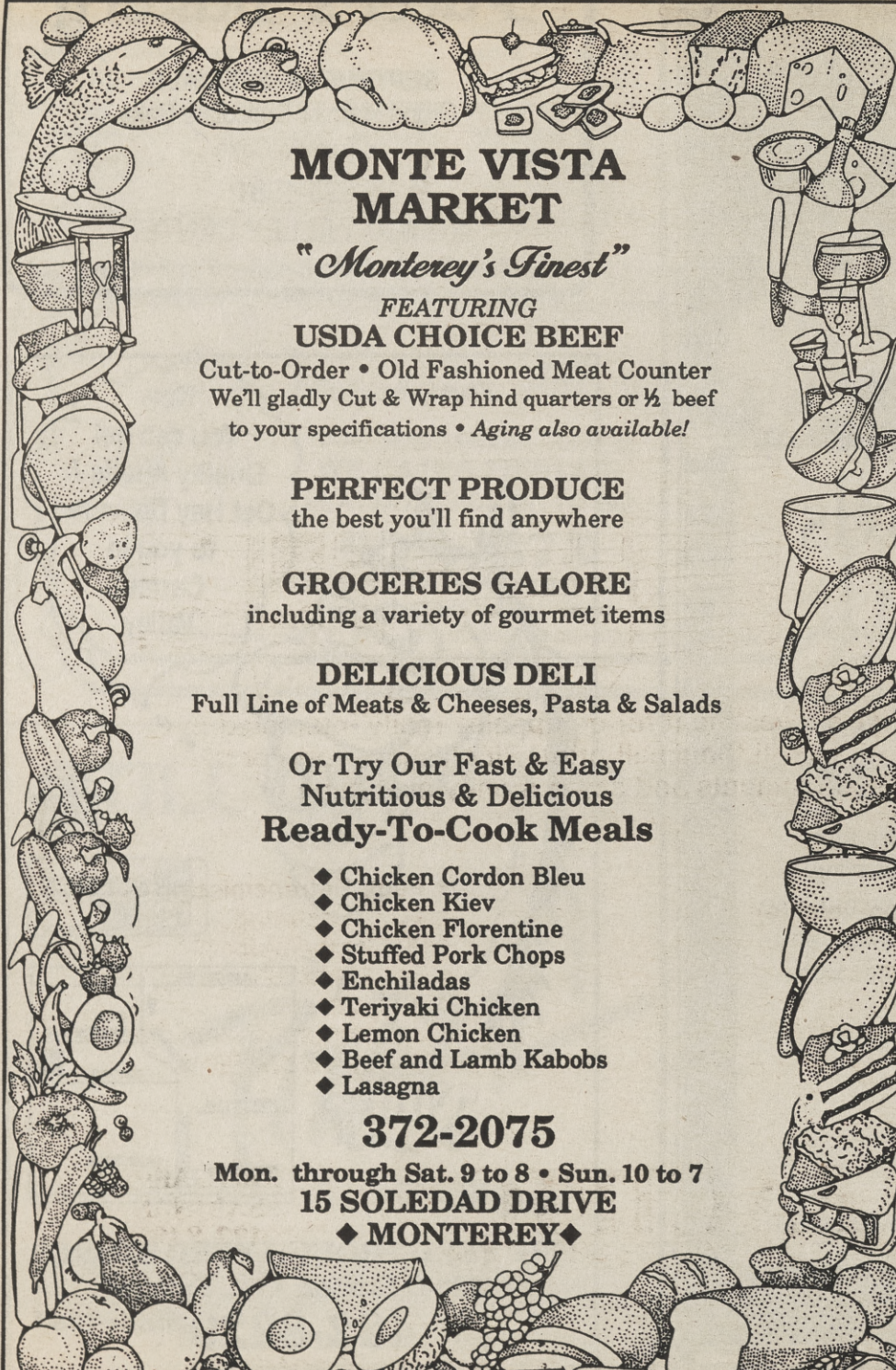
A framed resolution Strasser Kauffman presented to the city described Carmel-by-the-Sea as "a burgeoning business community that has maintained its old world charm and undeveloped appearance." Carmel incorporated Oct. 31, 1916.

picked on because you have a majority. It's not fair."

In his opening remarks, Wright said, "There have been some allusions, references or insinuations that it comes down to the fact we don't like some of the appointments. That's simply not true. Over a period of months, I've suggested the Mayor consider a policy that appointments to the Planning Commission in particular should have a broad and diverse background and

that at least four of them not have a meaningful economic interest in the city."

Whatever the outcome, it is certain the politically charged issue will still be flaming when the April election campaign starts. If an ordinance is approved in October, it would have to come back for a second reading and a vote on the policy in November and could be the first of the year before it took effect, according to City Attorney Don Freeman.



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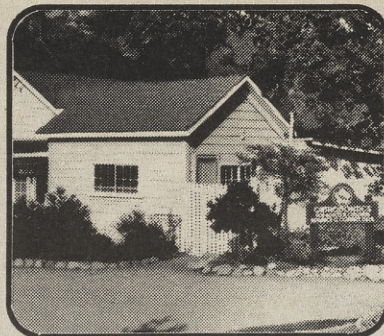
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White Talks of Issues

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the community and heads Friends of Sunset Center.

Just as he has been at Monterey High School for 32 years, White will never leave his house. He said his children feel as strongly about it as he does. His son is a CPA in San Mateo and his daughter is about to marry Gary Todd of Carmel Valley and live there.

Describing his long ties to Carmel where his first house on Dolores was about 10 x 15 feet with a living room with pullout

couch, kitchen and bath, White said Carmelites have always been outspoken on city issues.

His great uncle, for example, was actively involved in the debate over whether to replace the little outhouses all over town with a sewer system, he said, at a time when a lot of people didn't want sewers.

So, Beardsley, "went around and took pictures of some of the leading citizens coming out of their privies and took them to a town meeting on sewers," White laughed. "It made a lot of people mad."

Lot Survey Finds Few Are Large

An initial count of city lots by the Carmel Planning Department found nearly half to be 4,000 square feet and only about 30 larger than a half acre. The city has a total of 61 vacant lots.

The department recommended changing the formula for floor area ratio (FAR) allowed on new construction because it said current law does not work for the city's larger lots. Regulations adopted last year set a maximum floor area of 3,500 square feet for the R-1 district, prompting complaints that this was an unreasonable ceiling for big lots, particularly those over a half-acre.

The study (see accompanying chart) was prepared for the Planning Commission which requested more information before acting on any changes.

The department said it still needs to refine the figures because it found nearly 200 lots that are either irregular in shape or the size is not known. The staff is hand-calculating these lots.

Lot Size	No.	%
Less than 4000 sq. ft.	29	0.98%
4,000 sq ft	1,447	48.96%
4,001 - 5,999 sq ft	400	13.35%
6,000 sq ft +	201	6.80%
6,001 - 7,999 sq ft	227	7.68%
8,000 sq ft	177	5.90%
8,001 - 10,000 sq ft	71	2.37%
10,001 - 12,000 sq ft	127	4.24%
12,001 - 15,000 sq ft	20	0.66%
15,001 - 20,000 sq ft	25	0.83%
20,001 - 25,000 sq ft	20	0.66%
25,001 - 30,000 sq ft	7	0.02%
Over 30,000 sq ft	5	0.01%
Unknown	199	6.64%
Total	2,955	
Vacant Lots	61	2.03%

Source Carmel Planning Dept.

Library Board Members Approved

Barbara Little and Cecil Wahle won unanimous approval Tuesday to three-year terms on Carmel's five-member Harrison Memorial Library Board, currently in a financial fight with Monterey County.

The City Council honored outgoing members Merryll Cottrell, the president, and James Billwiller who did not wish to serve again, then approved their replacements without discussion.

Little replaces her father, Dick Little, who died recently. Wahle is an antiquarian bookseller.

Carmel and the cities of Pacific Grove, Monterey and Salinas are fighting with County officials over a contract for continued support for services the city libraries provide county residents.

Little League Seeks Volunteers

Seeking new volunteers, the Carmel Valley Little League urged anyone interested with helping to attend its board meeting Sept. 11 and its annual meeting Sept. 19. Both will be at 7:30 p.m. at the new field on Paso Hondo in the Village.

City Checks Del Mar Restroom Complaint

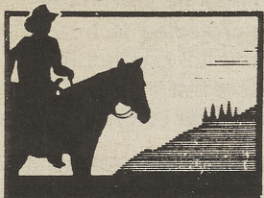
The Forest and Beach Commission plans to look into a tourist's complaint about the "dirty" condition of the city restrooms at Del Mar on Carmel's popular beach.

City Forester Gary Kelly said the commission would consider such remedies as replacing existing toilets, which flush with compressed air and a small amount of water, with a standard flush low volume type; hiring an attendant to clean and repair the facility during the busy summer months; and placing several portable toilets in the area during the summer. These would be screened from view with a temporary wooden enclosure.

Kelly said problems at the facility were caused by difficulty with the flush mechanism on the toilets that result in clogging "almost daily during the summer months."

In a letter to the *Weekly Sun* Aug. 22, E.K. Stimson of Palo Alto said the restrooms were so dirty, he and his wife refused to use them.

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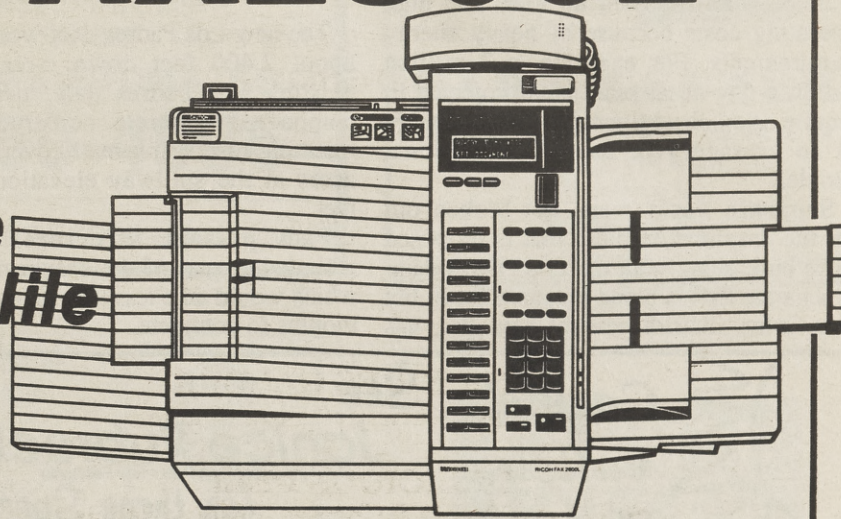
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EIR/EIS Shows District's Dam/Desal a Pricy Combination

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Aside from the "no project" alternative, the cheapest solution to the peninsula's water shortage in the EIR/EIS was a new 23,000 acre-foot San Clemente dam. It was estimated to cost \$90 million.

Four years ago, the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District proposed to build a new San Clemente dam, only to have it rejected by federal officials. They rejected the idea of building a San Clemente dam on the grounds that the earlier 260-page EIR/EIS did not consider enough alternative projects. Water district officials soon became convinced that federal and state agencies would not approve it because it would block the migration of steelhead up the river and destroy prized riparian vegetation.

Some of the present board members—notably former chairman Dick Heuer—still express doubt whether the federal agencies ever will approve another dam on the main stream of the river.

Reflecting concern about the impact on the steelhead, the latest EIR/EIS devotes 155 pages to concerns about fish and aquatic life. It is the largest of any chapters in the document. (For a separate story on the steelhead, see page 9.)

The newest EIR/EIS also analyzed operating costs for the 10 alternatives, as well as total annual costs, which included the principal and interest on the bond issue that is expected to finance any new project.

The Los Padres dam/desalination project would have the fourth highest operating costs, an estimated \$8.6 million a year. It would have the third highest overall annual costs, \$21.6 million a year.

The EIR/EIS translated those costs into how much the average Cal-Am water bill would go up by the year 2002, the assumed half-way point for construction of a new dam.

The Los Padres dam/desalination project would add an estimated \$19.49 a month, according to the EIR/EIS. However, members of the water management district board cautioned that the true monthly cost increases for customers would be significantly higher.

All of the alternative projects which included desalination plants and the Cañada reservoir, which would require that water be pumped from the river up to it, had high operating costs because of heavy energy requirements. For example, a 3 million gallon a day desal plant was projected to require as much additional electrical energy in an average year as 4,700 additional people.

Separate costs were not broken out for the desalination plant that is proposed to be built along with the Los Padres dam. A separate EIR is being prepared for it, but Jim Cofer, district general manager, has

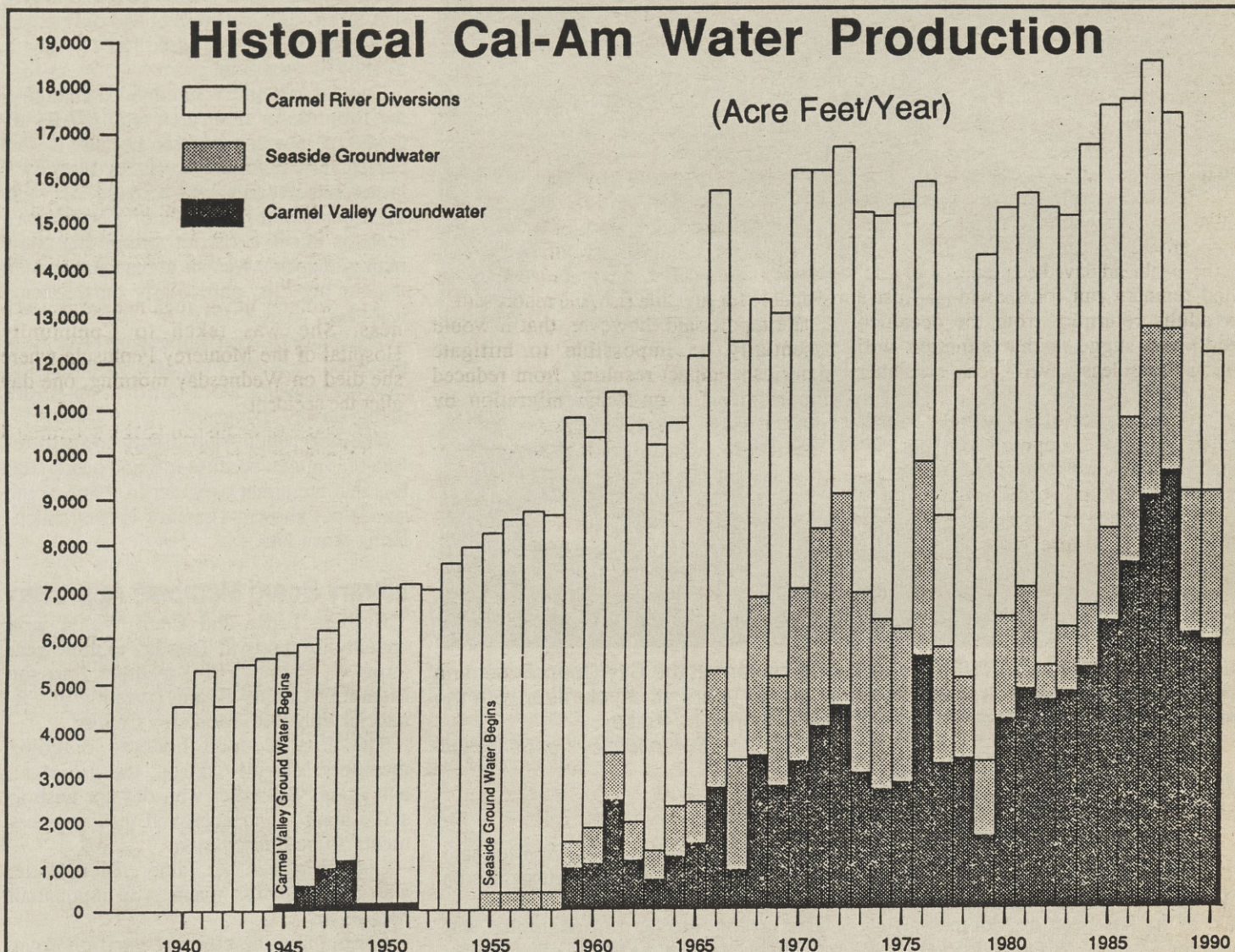


CHART TAKEN from the supplemental EIR/EIS for a new dam on the Carmel River shows the historical growth in Cal-Am water production and how the source of supply has changed over the years. The data is from the Army Corps of Engineers and Monterey Peninsula Water Management District records. Groundwater is pumped from wells.

mentioned a capital cost of about \$35 million.

At its last meeting, the Board of Directors of the water management district agreed to put the question of building a desalination plant on the regular June 2 election ballot next year. It probably will be an advisory vote, but Hekhuis held out the possibility that it could be a vote on a bond issue to finance a desal plant.

The new Los Padres dam would be built about 2,400 feet down river from the existing Los Padres dam, using roller-compacted concrete construction. The resulting reservoir would cover about 225 acres at the spillway elevation of 1,090 feet.

Fish passage structures would be included as part of the design of the dam, which would take less than an estimated 22 months to complete.

The EIR/EIS said the goal of the projects being considered is to increase the water supply available to the peninsula to protect it from shortages in drought and "meet the long-term water supply needs of planned growth."

The rationale behind the water district's two-project strategy is that the smaller dam still would provide many of the same downstream benefits to the river from increased flows, while the desal project would provide a source of water not dependent on rainfall.

In addition, a smaller dam would not destroy as much steelhead spawning or rearing habitat as larger ones.

The EIR/EIS said 115 acres of riparian habitat in the lower Carmel Valley would benefit from a more constant flow of water from a new dam. Even so, it said the flow from the new dam would stop in critically dry years.

Based on computer modeling studies, the EIR/EIS said new Los Padres dam and desalination would meet 98 to 100 percent of average water demand at buildout during the two most severe droughts on record in the area. At buildout, annual Cal-Am water demand was projected to be 23,080 acre-feet, compared to production of around 14,000 acre-feet last year and 18,000 acre-feet in a typical year before the drought.

Seeking to reduce environmental damage to the Carmel River from overpumping, the district has set a new production ceiling of 16,744 acre-feet a year until new water supplies are brought on stream.

The document said growth in the region has been constrained by the water shortage, and providing more water could induce more growth. But it said, "The water demand estimates are based on population and employment projections that are consistent with present land use plans."



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Alternative	Total Capital Costs ²	Annual Capital Costs ³	Annual OM&R Costs ⁴	Total Annual Costs ⁵
24,000 AF Los Padres Dam	\$105.9	\$11.0	\$4.4	\$15.4
16,000 AF Los Padres/Desal	125.9	13.0	8.6	21.6
9,000 AF Los Padres/Desal	113.2	11.7	9.4	21.1
23,000 AF San Clemente	90.1	9.3	4.1	13.4
6,000 AF Cachagua Creek/Desal	102.6	10.6	8.3	18.9
11,000 AF San Clemente Creek	106.8	11.1	4.7	15.8
10,500 AF Chupines Creek	114.8	11.9	5.1	17.0
25,000 AF Canada	277.8	28.8	10.1	38.9
7 MGD Desal	110.8	11.5	12.7	24.2
No Project	8.4	0.8	3.1	3.1

¹ Costs include project expenses, mitigations and Cal-Am improvements
² Estimated capital costs for the year 2000, assumed mid point of dam construction
³ Annual bond repayment costs; includes amortization of capital cost, interest during construction and bond financing costs
⁴ Annual operation, maintenance and replacement costs
⁵ Total annual costs are the sum of yearly capital and operating costs
 Source: Supplemental Dam EIR/EIS

From a New Los Padres Dam

Some Steelhead Impacts Can Be Mitigated; Some Can't, EIR Says

The largest single section in the supplemental EIR/EIS on a proposed dam on the Carmel River concerns fish and aquatic life—mostly steelhead, which would lose about 10 percent of their spawning and rearing habitat even with a smaller Los Padres reservoir.

The environmental analysis concludes that the steelhead have been reduced to a so-called remnant run for spawning—just a few adults returning from the ocean to breed—and suggests that situation will continue for at least several years no matter what is done.

"California state law stipulates that healthy steelhead populations shall be protected or restored by controlling the harvest of adults, providing suitable spawning grounds and maintaining rearing habitat for juvenile steelhead," the document notes.

It then goes on to devote 155 of its 900 pages to fish and aquatic life, more than to the cost or benefit of the proposed project, the need for additional water, health and public safety or the growth inducing effects a dam might have on the peninsula.

"The most recent estimate of the total steelhead run in the Carmel River was 860 adults during 1984," the report said. It said private consultants had estimated that the river could support 3,500 adult fish upstream of San Clemente dam, but that state Fish & Game experts projected it could support twice that many.

"Regardless of the absolute number of adults that can be supported by the river, there is general agreement that the run has declined during the last 20 years." The five-year drought in the region has taken its toll on the fish, providing few opportunities for adults to return to the river from the ocean or for juveniles to find their way to the ocean, it said.

The EIR/EIS said that even a 16,000 acre-foot Los Padres reservoir would have potentially significant adverse impacts on steelhead spawning grounds and rearing habitat in the river and its tributaries. It said 9 percent of the steelhead spawning beds could be blocked or inundation by the dam and habitat for juveniles reduced from 10 to 11 percent.

It proposed to mitigate the impact on the spawning beds by adding 404 cubic yards of gravel from Sleepy Hollow and the new

Los Padres dam. The capital cost would be \$123,000, with \$18,000 required annually to maintain it.

It said the impact on juvenile habitat could be mitigated fully by releasing flows below the new dam and the existing San Clemente dam as a part of the normal reservoir operation. This would then have a beneficial impact on the amount of habitat available for juvenile fish, the report said.

The report said, however, that it would essentially be impossible to mitigate significant impact resulting from reduced opportunity for upstream migration by limited flow duration, shortening the duration of the migration season and increasing the number of years without flows to attract adults from the ocean back to the river to spawn.

"No improvements in opportunities with flow releases can probably be made during critically dry years," the report said. "Depending on the acceptability of a program to hold a reserve stock of adult steelhead, this impact would remain as a potentially unavoidable significant impact."

The report also said the construction of a 16,000 acre-foot Los Padres dam would inundate 25 acres of riparian habitat. As a mitigation measure, it proposed to restore and enhance 34.2 acres of riparian habitat within Garland Park.

Overall, the EIR/EIS said a new dam would benefit 115 acres of riparian vegetation in the lower Carmel Valley through improved streamflow.

Cachagua Group Hosts Water Expert Sept. 12

The Cachagua Area Property Owners Association issued an invitation for all Valley residents to attend its monthly meeting Sept. 12 to hear a speaker from the State Water Resources Control Board.

The meeting will be held at the Carmel Valley Community Center at 7:30 p.m.

Nancy Lambert of the association especially invited members of the Carmel Valley Property Owners and Citizens for Water Awareness to attend to hear Steve Herrera, an environmental specialist on the Carmel River. He is assigned to the agency's Sacramento office.

Fresno Woman Dies in Lobos Diving Accident

Results of an autopsy are pending in the death of Kristie Bowen, 28, a Fresno woman, who died Aug. 28 following a scuba diving incident off Point Lobos.

A spokesman for the coroner's office said that Todd Bowen, the woman's husband, lost sight of her while they were diving, but later found her caught in kelp about 35 feet under the water. He sought help from other divers and cardiopulmonary resuscitation was attempted.

The woman never regained consciousness. She was taken to Community Hospital of the Monterey Peninsula where she died on Wednesday morning, one day after the accident.

The cause of death can not be determined until the autopsy is completed.

Trails Group B-B-Q Is Sunday

The Carmel Valley Trails Association will hold its annual meeting and barbecue Sunday from noon to 4:00 p.m. at the Carmel Valley Trail & Saddle Club on East Garzas Road in Carmel Valley. The barbecue is free with a one-year, \$20 membership.

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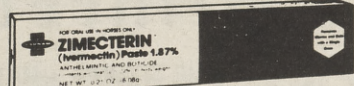
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Do Tricks Like A Dog

Potbellied Pigs Growing In Popularity as House Pets

By Carolyn Rice

Lucy walked into the kitchen, snapped the mouse trap and ate the cheese out of it. She licked a visitor's foot through her sandals. She sat when commanded to do so, and then raised up on her haunches when told to sit up.

You expect such tricks of a dog, perhaps. But Lucy is a four-month-old, 15-pound, potbellied pig.

About two and a half years ago, Paula West, who lives with her family on Carmel Valley Road near Mid Valley Shopping Center, read an article about the small pigs which come from the jungles of China and Vietnam.

Her family has had two full-size pigs, and West said, "I really like pigs." She asked at the local feed store about where to find one of the potbellies, and Tom Zobel put her in touch with Josephine Boyer of Carmel, who was after such a pig, too.

Boyer traveled to her summer home in Gloucester, Mass., in 1989, and bought a pig for \$1,200 from a family who raised them. After obtaining the necessary health permits needed to enter California, she flew home with a five-day old pig stowed away in a 14-inch square pie basket.

"It was perfectly easy," she said of the flight. "They thought I had a puppy."

Every two hours she went to the restroom to mix its formula which Rosita lapped from a saucer. Boyer's seatmate told her she would be uncomfortable if she fed the pig while seated beside her.

Boyer kept Rosita in her Carmel home until she was about four weeks old, and then moved her to the West's farm as, "You can't have a pig in Carmel. I didn't want to fight against the laws of Carmel."

Wanting to get into the potbellied pig raising business, West bought a boar named Carlos from a breeder in Pescadero.

For a year and a half, Carlos and Rosita

tried to produce, but nothing happened.

Then West purchased Geronimo from Gail Degough in Gilroy. Rosie got pregnant right away. After 115 days of gestation, she produced six babies on July 4.

"They're wild as March hares when they're born, and you take them away from their mothers," West said. Of the litter, one had a birth defect and did not survive, but the rest are thriving. West plans to keep the smallest female as a breeder and sell the others as pets.

Two years ago there were only about 500 of the pot-bellied pigs in the United States, West said. Today they number about 40,000. When they first arrived in this country "a little boy cost \$1,500 and the females cost between \$2,500 and \$5,000."

West said the price has dropped with their proliferation. Neutered pets now sell for between \$300 and \$500 with the show quality breeders going for between \$1,000 and \$2,000.

The smaller pigs and more colorful ones fetch the higher prices. Potbellied pig shows are starting to occur at fairs. Sacramento had one recently, and West plans to travel to the Los Angeles fair this fall to watch the competition.

The North American Potbelly Pig Association states, "The general appearance of a potbellied pig is a structurally symmetrical animal, free of obvious defect, short of leg, with smooth flowing lines, pronounced potbelly, swayed back, erect ears and a straight tail."

The association requires the maximum height to be no more than 18 inches from the top of the shoulder with 14 inches being the ideal height. The maximum weight is 95 pounds with the ideal less than 50 pounds.

A Canadian, Keith Connell, first imported the pigs from Vietnam in 1985, according to Betty Beeman of the Potbellied



CHRISTINA WEST spends about two hours a day taming five, potbellied pigs that were born on July 4. The babies squeal loudly when picked up but then settle down and seem to enjoy being handled.

Sun photos by Carolyn Rice

Pig Registry in Lakeville, Ind., Most of the pigs in the U.S. and Canada are black or black with white markings and are offspring of these original four boars and sixteen sows, according to Beeman.

Other pigs have been imported from China, England and Sweden. West said originally they are native to jungle areas "where they are eaten by everything." She said she saw a picture of a Vietnamese farmer in a 1974 National Geographic who was raising a pen full of the little pigs for meat.

Rosie was a very good mother, West said. The West family watched the pigs arrive but did not have to assist in any way. "They pop out running," she said.

The pigs do not produce enough body heat to keep themselves alive for the first

three days, so West had set up a farrowing box with an enclosed area to the side that had a heat lamp. The six-piglets were four inches long and weighed about 1/2 pound each. "They don't cuddle up to their mom like a dog or cat," West said, adding they sleep together in a heap.

Lucy, the four-month-old who has the run of the house, was trained to use a litter box in two days. She climbs into West's lap at night and sleeps there while West watches television. "Their tails are always wagging. They'll do anything for food," she noted. West has taken Lucy for walks on her leash in The Barnyard where she always gets a big reaction from shoppers. At home Lucy has the run of the house and yard but doesn't wander off the property.

They don't smell although the boars have

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Landlord/Tenant Report Gets Further Study

Much of the Ad Hoc Landlord/Tenant Committee's report on Carmel was targeted for further study or put on hold by the City Council Tuesday, including a proposal to close Ocean Avenue for a pedestrian mall.

The suggestion to close off Ocean Avenue, the city's main thoroughfare, for a pedestrian mall with outdoor cafés was put on hold pending the report of the 2010 Committee in December on the future of the city when it is 100 years old.

The Carmel Business Association (CBA) was asked to investigate and report on suggestions to encourage local city merchants to offer a 10 percent discount to locals and to publish and distribute a list of resident-

serving businesses.

The Planning Commission was asked to work with the CBA on a new and clear definition of "resident-serving" businesses and identification of specific resident-serving businesses in the commercial district.

A review of the master use permit process was put on hold pending completion of the commission's study of commercial zoning.

Carmel Jeweler Admits Under-Reporting Tax

Kerry Lee Johnson, 41, of Pacific Grove, pleaded guilty Wednesday to filing a false federal tax return which under-reported gross receipts from his jewelry business in Carmel, according to U.S. Atty. Leo P. Cunningham of the Justice Department's San Jose office.

The charges were filed in U.S. District Court in San Jose Aug. 27. Johnson operates a Carmel Plaza store known as "Kerry Lee, Inc. Masterworks in Fine Jewelry."

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) alleged that Johnson under-reported his business gross receipts by more than \$100,000. Cunningham said Johnson contended that the amount was between \$50,000 and \$60,000. Presiding Judge James Ware said he would address the discrepancy at the time of sentencing Nov. 20, Cunningham said.

Johnson could face a maximum penalty of three years in federal prison and \$100,000 in fines.

The investigation was triggered by a tip from an unidentified informant. IRS investigators obtained a search warrant and searched the jewelry store in July 1988. The charges relate to the tax year ending April 30, 1985.

Beach Cleanup Set for Sept. 21

Monterey County beaches from the Santa Cruz County line to Big Sur will be the target of a volunteer clean-up during the Adopt-a-Beach Coastal Clean-up on Sept. 21 from 9 a.m. until noon.

The clean-up will include an afternoon celebration from 1 to 4 p.m. at Monterey's Window on the Bay Park with music, games and exhibits. The day is sponsored by the State Parks and the Coastal Commission.

More than 1,500 local volunteers picked up five and one-half tons of trash from county beaches last year and brought in another ton of material for recycling, said Natalie Schaefer, coordinator of this year's program.

Check-in stations will be established at more than two dozen beaches along the County's coastline. Beach captains will hand out trash bags and data cards for recording the type of trash found at each beach.

For information about volunteering in the clean-up, call California State Parks at 384-7695.



TRAINING LUCY, a 15-pound, four-month-old potbellied pig, gives Paula West many laughs. West said Lucy will do anything for food and picks up tricks quickly.

Pigs Becoming Popular Pets

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a strong odor if they are not neutered, West said. She said they love to root, and she has heard that some people have had problems with them rooting up their carpets.

Paula's husband, Dean, built special, insulated houses which are about three-feet off the ground. The pigs walk up a runway to enter them. West said her husband thought the structure would provide shade and a dry place for the pigs during rainy weather if he built them off the ground.

Carlos weighs 60 pounds, Rosie, 75, and Geronimo around 40. With a mane like a

Brillo pad, Omar is distinguished with white markings while the other two are completely black. The boars also grow tusks at about 18 months of age which West has her vet trim.

Christina, West's 10-year-old daughter, spends about two hours a day playing with the five babies. They squeal raucously when held in space away from a person but settle down when held securely.

Cody, the West's son who has just entered Chico State University, was the first person in the family to have a pig—Penelope who grew to be about 600 pounds by the time she was five-years old.

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By Kathleen Tarp

This may seem like the end of Summer but don't get ready to pack in the beach chairs yet! "Be true to your school" and "Catch a Wave" on Sunday, September 29th at the CVCYC's Last Summer Blast...

"Safari...The Sequel!" The most outrageous event ever to hit Carmel Valley is about to happen again...so get your ugliest Hawaiian shirt out of mothballs and plan to come limbo and hoola hoop with us. There will be lots of prizes including best dance couple in the longest stroll line, Ugliest Hawaiian Shirt, and best decorated booth.

If your children are involved in any organization which would like to make some money and have a booth at the Surfin Safari, contact Kathleen at 659-3983. This event is going to be for kids and run by kids so mark 9/29 on your calendar for the best Beachboy and Beatle music around! Naturally, admission is free and the bands are ALIVE. Come out and support your local cheerleaders from Tularcitos, Middle, and Carmel High Kow-A-Bunga!

The pool will be open every Saturday and Sunday from 12:00 - 4:00 PM until September 29th. Cost is \$2.50 per person except for Surfin Safari when we invite the entire Monterey Peninsula to come party and swim with us for FREE! Friday Night Swim from 7 PM to 9 PM is also still happening until the end of September. For \$1.00 you can spend an outstanding Friday night splashing in our terrific pool. So, kids, plan to meet your friends at the CVCYC pool and celebrate getting back together again for school!

Jazzercise begins September 17th on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:15 - 7:15 PM. Sherry Cosseboom is featuring low impact aerobics and giving 50% discounts for new students! Regularly, eight classes are \$25.00 and one class is \$5.00. So, save money and burn fat before the Holidays (yes...they're right around the corner!). Call 659-3290 for more information.

Stress Reduction Yoga classes on Thursdays at 7:30 PM. Wendy Keystone will help you unwind after Jazzercise and teach you to get rid of the stress in your life Once and for all! Call Wendy at 659-3335.

Weight Watchers is; about to start up again! Monday, September 16th at 6:30 PM, Ann Good will lead an informational meeting open to the public. Come find out about healthy eating and get your life back on track! Call Ann for more information at 375-3050.

Since you're losing weight, exercising, and reducing your stress all right here at the CVCYC, we think you deserve a special treat before the Holidays! Carolyn Haessler, world renowned Image Consultant who has studied in Paris, New York, and Rodeo Drive, will pamper you for a full day. Mark this date on your calendars now...Saturday, November 9th for a complete makeover including skin analysis, colors, hair, and wardrobe. We'll also treat you to a scrumptious healthy luncheon catered by Shiela McMahan, The Chef From Heaven and her band of angels. Call Kathleen at 659-3983 immediately for price information and to reserve your special seat.

EPA Tentatively Okays Freeway

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them (the federal agencies) with our mitigation strategies," Pollock said.

Bill Thies, longtime Carmel resident and an outspoken supporter of the freeway, hailed the EPA's decision. "I think it's great. It made my day. It's the biggest hurdle we've overcome yet."

In a statement, Caltrans said that the EPA's letter outlined the steps that must be met for approval of the freeway to move ahead:

- The final Hatton alignment must minimize wetlands impacts to the greatest extent practicable

- All unavoidable impacts must be offset to avoid significant degradation of the aquatic habitat.

Once formal Corp of Engineers approval is received, Pollock said he expected the release of the environmental impact report/statement (EIR/EIS) by Washington where it has been held up since late in 1987 as agencies wrangled over the freeway and its consequences.

Construction of a freeway through the canyon that parallels the congested part of Highway 1 would cost around \$37 million, and money for it is currently provided in the state's transportation budget. The federal government will provide 80 percent of the funding.

Caltrans' statement said the state highway agency was eager to "make the Hatton Canyon project a showcase of both highway design and environmental mitigation measures."

It promised to work closely with the FHA, the EPA, the Corps of Engineers, the U. S. Fish & Wildlife Department, the state department of Fish & Game, the county and the community to achieve that goal.

The EPA's announcement followed by a

month the release of a report prepared for the Hatton Canyon Coalition, which opposes the freeway. The report favored the widening of Highway 1, with construction of interchanges at Carmel Valley Road and Carpenter Street as the least environmentally damaging of three alternatives examined in the report.

But even the consultants agreed that the freeway would provide the best solution to speeding traffic past Carmel.

Pollock said the FHA had asked Caltrans to look at a full-fledged six-lane freeway along the present Highway alignment. But he said the cost would be prohibitive, with 60 to 80 homes being displaced.

Pacific Meadows 40 Percent Filled

Pacific Meadows, a retirement complex for low and moderate income citizens, already has committed 40 percent of its 200 units, according to American Baptist Homes of the West.

Jerry Warren, vice president of American Baptist Homes, which will operate the complex, said construction is 70 percent completed. The complex is due to be finished by year's end.

Warren said applications for remaining units may be arranged by telephoning Betty Leverett or Don Yule at 408-624-9355.

The development near the mouth of the Valley will have 30 studio apartments, 110 one-bedroom units and 60 two-bedroom apartments.

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OUT AND ABOUT

By Stan Hall

I guess everybody has experienced troubles with a car, a house or a person to the point where they just wished they could throw up their hands, walk away and forget the whole thing. Most of us can never afford to do that.

But if the story about a house in our neighborhood is true—and I don't doubt the substance of it or I wouldn't be repeating it—the woman who lived in the house did just that.

It happened in 1975, early one morning. Our neighbor, Harold Seyferth, was the head of the local mutual water company at the time.

The lady who owned the house came stomping across the street, still wearing her nightgown and robe, complaining that she didn't have any water and demanding to know what Harold was going to do about it.

He tried to explain that her house was served by Cal-Am Water Co., not the mutual—that her meter was the last one on the Cal-Am line.

She didn't have any water and demanded to know what Harold was going to do about it.

Seeing how upset she was, he also told her that he would be glad to report the trouble to Cal-Am, but that he felt fairly sure a break probably had occurred somewhere between the Cal-Am meter and her house, and if that were the case, she would have to arrange repairs on her own.

Well, she was in no mood to listen to all that explanation. Off she marched.

A few minutes later, a young daughter in tow, Harold saw her get in her car and speed off, leaving the house open, the sink full of dirty dishes and two eggs partially cooked in a pan on the stove.

When we moved into the neighborhood in 1988, the back door to the house was still open. You could see that it had been an attractive home. I would call it a Colonial adobe. Part of it is two story, the wood siding and trim painted a dusky red to complement the tan of the adobe brick. It sits up on a little rise, and an inviting walled patio is on the north side of the house, looking out toward the ocean.

I never went inside, but I did look in, both through the open door and a small window over the sink. The story must be right, because dirty dishes still were in the sink. I saw them for myself, along with pots and pans and curtains that still were fairly intact although it had been 13 years since the lady left.

In the version of the story that some neighbors tell, the car that the woman drove off in was a Rolls Royce. Regardless of the make of car, everybody who knew her when she lived there agreed she never seemed to want for money.

Some people said she had been a promising movie starlet who had an affair with someone very rich—somebody like the Rockefellers, only supposedly a movie producer. According to this story, the woman had a child by him and was being supported by the child's father. Others speculated that she was an heiress to this or that fortune.

I don't know about all that, but she would have had to have money to do what she did. That morning, she drove to Pebble Beach where she bought another house. She never came back to the house on Yankee Point, not even to collect her personal things. At least, that's what the neighbors say.

All those years, the house sat open and unused—except maybe by an occasional transient passing through the neighborhood. I do know that people interested in buying it had contacted the woman on several occasions, but she would

not put a price on it or even discuss it.

In the meantime, curious people wandered through the house, some of them eventually carrying off most of the furnishings. Neighbors complained to the County authorities about the dreadful condition of the property to no avail. They said it would have to be proven that there were rats or some such vermin causing a health hazard for them to step in.

She drove to Pebble Beach and bought a new house, and she never came back to Yankee Point, even to collect her personal things.

The unkempt yard got so overgrown a couple of years ago that the Carmel Highlands Fire Department finally had the vegetation cleared away from the house. It had become a fire hazard. A couple of big Monterey pine had died and fallen on the property, and the underbrush was so thick you couldn't walk through it.

What brings this house and the story that accompanies it to mind is that someone is now working on the property—or at least on the yard.

On my morning walk recently, I noticed that someone had dug a hole out around part of the water line leading from the Cal-Am meter. In one place, they'd had to dig under a big root of a pine tree. On another part of the lot, someone has started to build a fence.

I haven't seen anyone working there. But if I had, I would have asked them if they had bought the house and what was happening with it. I know it's none of my business, and I'm not normally such a busybody. But the whole story intrigues me. I'd like to know more about it.

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By Anita DeCarlo

Biennial Exhibit Poses Questions

There's this line in the old Marx Brothers movie "Coconuts" where Groucho is talking about a viaduct. He keeps saying "viaduct! viaduct!" and Chico says "why a duck? why not a chicken or..."

So that's what the 1991 Biennial Competitive Exhibition at the Monterey Peninsula Museum of Art reminds me of. I found myself saying, "Why this? viaduct?" There are a few jewels in this show, so why some of the others? I don't know.

Philip Linhares, chief curator of art of the Oakland Museum, was the juror. He contends, in a posted statement, that he juried without preconceived notions, and that his interests range from the most conservative representational to the most abstract and experimental. He said, "I appreciate work that is original, that reflects a high level of commitment and most importantly, work that contains its own special quality...that distinguishes it from the many competent and conventional works so often seen."

Without further preconceived notions then, he selected 48 pieces out of 432 entries. That is a monumental winnowing and sifting. Years ago I learned that a jury is comprised of three people, and that is one of the notions, along with "life is always just" and "Rome wasn't built in a day," that I can't seem to shake no matter how many encounters to the contrary.

I have watched the three person jury process many times and the jurors always seemed to earn their stipend. It would be an all day two-day affair in which each juror would separately judge each piece and apply one of two stickers ("in" or "out") to the back of the piece. When all three had completed this task, all pieces with two or three outs would be out, two or three ins would be in. The process was repeated with the remaining works, and then again until the final go around when the three jurors would consult and argue for or against, until the appropriate number was roughly reached. I might add that all visible signatures on the paintings were covered with masking tape.

It was a marvelously educational experience and I believe I learned a lot more about the profundities of aesthetics than I ever did in graduate school.

So what it is with these one (juror?) judge shows is, whether he preconceives it or not, it is taste and whim. Invariably it is going to be an uneven show because, let's face it, one is not a jury and the weighing process, therefore, is not there.

On the whole I think that this show outshines the last two Biennials, and that the variety of approaches to the muse all in one place is well worth the look. And there is this one absolute jewel, that if you see nothing else you like, you must see Andres Morillo's watercolor, "Red." It is both contemporary and traditional—a time-

less piece that I feel is the most exciting watercolor I've seen in a very long time. A spontaneous skill with the medium, a profound sense of aesthetic principles, and a personal grasp of vision: the watercolor has the freshness of wetness appearing forever just done; each stroke is purposeful and apparent—all is transparent and revealed; there is fluidity of shape and edge; assimilation of the clustered foreground figures (bright red and black) into the muted tones of the ascending stairs and landing is subtly and superbly done by diminishing the intensity of the red as an L-shaped glaze left and bottom pushing the figures into the pictured space, then repeating this muted red on the upper right edge as half a globe on the banister. His organization of the abstract value and intensity of color seem effortless. Finesse! Sabi!

Actually, all the other watercolors and water base media pale next to this small jewel of Morillo's. Interestingly enough, however, where watercolors are usually the weaker end of a mixed show, these as a whole hold their own very well. Deanna Forbes two casein paintings of "Moss Landing Night 1990" (20 and 12) are strong expressive statements. Number 20, which won an award of excellence, is the better of the two. Alicia Meheen's "Surf Plein Air" is a bold, decisive watercolor, very forthright, pigments mixing and granulating on the paper, strong value-defined shapes with values reinforced by intensity changes.

Another nice, very different watercolor, Linda Ledoux's "Beaver Tail Cactus Flowers," is a more controlled blown-up abstract division of the rectangle, cactus and flowers secondary to the design. Control simply means more confined paint. Darien Payne's two watercolors, "Dining Room, Night" and "Butter and Bowl" are very controlled, yet not at all rigid or "cut out" (continuous hard edge). "Dining Room" is a very perceptive organization of lights and darks: the darks are contained in one large shape, in which objects are defined subtly, releasing two small areas into light. Very sensitive observation of color/light and handling of the medium for a super realism that is distinguished amidst the morass of contemporary super-realism with its cutout refrigerated realism.

For example: Laura Scott's "Morning Still Life"—what precision and control, but this type is legion and has no signature statement, nothing individual, interchangeable as if all cut from the same die. Or James Hanlon's "Eternal Present" and Jack Bevier's "Windblown" which side by side can be seen to be almost interchangeable; both slightly surreal juxtapositions of objects, similar palettes, same meticulous realism.

The oils and acrylics range from good to terrible—including The Critic's Voice by



"ILLUSTRATING NATURE," student works from UC/Santa Cruz will be on exhibit at the Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History Sept. 10 through Oct. 28.

Jeanne Rosen, which won an award of excellence. I can find no saving grace in this painting—its content is sophomoric at best, knowledge of design properties ignored entirely, color is cataclysmic.

Mark Henson's "Illusion of Reality" is another painting with utterly sophomoric content, a trite depiction of a drug-induced world in contrast to the "real thing;" very stodgy colors related to content without aesthetic concern, cluttered organization squeezing as much as possible into the rectangle as if, if a little bit's good, a whole lot's better.

Mimi Herrera's oil collage is another candidate for student-type effort but at least she is trying to come to terms with color. There are two paintings on either side of hers to show her way: Karen Nagano's "Light Gathering XI" is a more sophisticated handling of color in a simple abstract format. Louis La Barbera's painting on the other side, "Red White Blue" is a more complex, very sophisticated abstract color statement in which he's made the subtle changes in color temperature, value and intensity appear effortless. It is very nice.

Jay Campbell's "Mary Jane" begins to try to organize mass of explicit symbols by an underlying division of the square canvas into a quarter bright field, three-quarters muted field but the overpainting of bright and scattered symbols does not make intelligent use of it. More is less.

More symbols: Andrew Shachat's "Objectification of the Meaningless" is, I hate to say it again, sophomoric. Hung up on a hang up that's been rediscovered ad nauseum, content oriented not aesthetics oriented. This happens when an idea seems brand new. On the other hand, there are several well done oils or acrylics with aesthetic concerns, competent but undistin-

guished to use Mr. Linhares' own measure.

Suzanne Rumbaugh's "7 a.m. Gilroy" is a sophisticated piece, familiarity with oil, color and design—but terribly seen before. Also, C.W. Jennings "Vice Versa"—a sophisticated acrylic on canvas, very competent exercise in op art, re the late 60's, early 70's.

Pauline McKim's "Breaker" is skillful, juicy handling of the oil, good ocean duplication, but there is too much white paint and not enough awareness of the change of color as light changes—calendar art.

Right next to Rumbaugh's is a small oil by Carl Bowman, "Waves at Asilomar" which is not at all a duplication of ocean and shore. It is much more—it is a perceptive personal statement about the ocean in terms of color and shape and form. It is a lovely little piece.

Three more very fine oils, that are not only competent, but mature, distinguished in personal vision and effortless in aesthetic concerns that comes with experience: Mayumi Watanabe's "Kind of Blue," an abstract with quiet perception of light and color and air; Gail Factor's "Untitled," an accomplishment in color comprehension that is cerebral yet emotive; Gerald Richman's "Untitled" (acrylic) is deceptively perceptive color, madness that works and breathes.

Among the rest that are undistinguished there is a little collage by Marybeth Rinehart, "Cut to the Kiss," that is excellent design and color, all sorts of complex images subjected to aesthetic concerns first, the flowing color and design have the marvelous appeal of intricate old quilting that tells a story.

And there is Jef Workman's chair, "Mr. Chair," which is elegantly humorous. And that's all folks.

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TROWEL & HOE

By Mark Eaton

As we have discussed in previous articles, success in shade gardening depends upon how much shade the plants are actually exposed to. The deeper the shade, the less chance of success with flowering plants. One may have to resign one's self to accepting a shade garden of broad leafed foliage plants and ferns. Nothing wrong with this. These gardens when designed reasonably well often have the effect of coolness and relaxation, a fine objective of gardening in general and a hallmark of one of the highest forms of garden art, the Japanese Garden.

Many of us being hobbyists and tinkers, as well as great lovers of flowers should not be denied the joy of raising blooming plants in a shady location. Blooming perennials, many of which for decades were the domain of obscure specialty nurseries and unknown to the general public are now becoming fairly common in the better retail nurseries.

There is a concept in shade gardening which has to do with planting in "The Dry Shade," a timely and trendy catchphrase for our drought-stricken state. This "Dry Shade" business is like everything else in California gardening; many of our native plants do fine without summer water, but to think one is going to create some lush grotto that inspires poetry without any summer irrigation is an unrealistic dream.

Even so, you can have a pretty respectable flowering shade garden, and go easy on the water throughout the majority of the layout. If you want to raise a couple of astilbes and hostas, perennials that require regular water, may the water gods strike me down for suggesting that it's okay!

Here is a list of perennials that will bloom reliably with a fair amount of shade, and you will be surprised at how much water many can do without and still look reasonably nice.

I have listed only genus names because within some groups there have been entire

books written about these plants. You can find a good starter's description of most of these in *The Sunset Western Garden Book*. As for cold hardiness, you needn't be concerned, our Christmas 1990 freeze actually made the majority of these plants perform better!

Flowering Perennials for Shade

Aconitum	Iberis
Acanthus	Iris (some)
Anemone	Impatiens oliveri
Agapanthus	Lamium
Alchemilla	Lewisia
Aquilegia	Lilium
Astilbe	Liriope
Begonia	Lithodora
Billbergia	Meconopsis
Brunnera	Monarda
Calluna	Myosotis
Calceolaria	Omphalodes
Campanula	Oxalis
Ceratostigma	Phlox
Cimifuga	Phormium
Clivia	Polemonium
Cornus	Polygonatum
Cyclamen	Potentilla
Cymbidium	Primula
Cynoglossum	Rhodohypoxis
Dampiera	Sanguinaria
Dicentra	Saxifraga
Digitalis	Schizostylis
Dodecatheon	Sedum
Echeveria	Sempervivum
Epimedium	Sisyrinchium
Erica	Thalictrum
Francoa	Tiarella
Galium	Tolmeia
Gentiana	Tradescantia
Geranium	Trillium
Gunnera	Trollius
Helleborus	Vaccinium
Hemerocallis	Vancouveria
Heuchera	Viola
Hosta	Zantedeschia

This wasn't meant to impress you with how many botanical names I could come up with, but to take heart in the fact that there are dozens of possibilities for flowering perennials in the shade. The hard part is



CHRISTMAS ROSE (*Helleborus niger*) is one plant that does well in shade, blooming in early February

Photo courtesy *The Complete Shade Gardener* by George Schenk

narrowing it down to a finite number of choices for a given area. If you can keep it down to a few then you're a more disciplined gardener than I am!

Things to do now:

• Fall bulbs are here. Daffodils, tulips, hyacinths and Ranunculus are the main

players, show early for best selection.

• Fall is around the corner. It's a great time for planting almost everything including California native plants. Nurserymen have been preaching this for years; it's not just to drum up more business (though it certainly helps).

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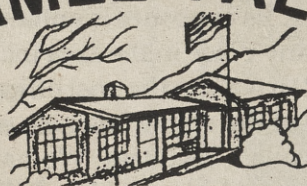
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YESTERYEARS

By Elizabeth Barratt

There's something about late summer and getting back to school that stirs up a general flurry of activity in a community. You can almost feel the excitement in the air.

The members of the Carmel Valley History Society have been hard at it of late, still fund-raising for our proposed new museum at former Bank of America site in the heart of the Village. We've held another of our famous yard sales, this one at Rosie's on Aug. 24 and 25. We still have for sale from the event a beautiful pool table, complete with balls, sticks and rack. It was a generous donation to the history society and if you are interested in purchasing this outstanding item to add to your family or game room, please call Stew's at 659-2411 for further details. All proceeds will go to our building fund.

Several donations for our historical collection have come in recently. Of particular interest is an antique square grand piano which once graced the Hatton home here in the Valley. It's said to be the first piano in Carmel Valley, and possibly one of the first in Monterey County. The piano is full-keyed, constructed of rosewood, and was made by the Decca Brothers of New York in 1869. Ellsworth Gregory, local piano expert and history society member, says the company lasted from 1862 until 1875. When we receive this valuable piece for our permanent collection, Ellsworth will be working on its restoration. The piano was donated by Mrs. Margaret McAulay.

Another piece of good fortune came our way in the form of an offer to donate two valuable paintings, one a 1914 view of the Hatton Ranch and the other depicting the old Boronda Adobe here in the Valley.

More on these items will be forthcoming. The Carmel Valley History Society is indeed grateful for these and all donations pertaining to our past. They will make our displays all the more authentic and realistic when we get our museum.

Local artist Carey Crockett paid us a visit at our weekly meeting last Tuesday to show us his drawings for the new sign the history society is putting up in the Community Park. The sign will depict major sites in Carmel Valley history from the mouth of the Valley to Tassajara and the Cahoon Ranch.

We also received a cartooned note from Hank Ketcham, Grand Marshall of last year's Fiesta, accepting honorary membership in the Carmel Valley History Society. He (via a cartoon of Dennis) thanked the society for the "ornerary" membership.

A new membership brochure is about on its way to press and should be out soon, giving details about the history society's activities and inviting interested members of the public to join us in our endeavors to preserve Carmel Valley's past for the future. The brochures will be formatted for mailing to answer prospective membership inquiries, and copies will also be placed with local chambers of commerce and local businesses.

In other news, we are pursuing grant writing for further fundings to augment our museum fund. Several weeks ago, local history expert Marvin Pylate led a small group tour to New Idria, a defunct quicksilver mine located south of Hollister in southern San Benito County. At one time, New Idria was the second largest producer of quicksilver in the world, rivaling only Idrija in Yugoslavia and Almaden in Spain, when it opened in the 1850's.

Recently the Carmel Valley



ANOTHER TRANSCONTINENTAL RIDER, Robert Wood has spent more than two years on his 21-year-old horse riding across the United States. He started from Santa Maria and rode to South Carolina after detouring to Iowa to visit his mother. Wood contacted the *Sun* after reading about Canadian Chef Marc Kempf who has ridden across Canada and is now headed across the U.S. "I've got a thousand questions to ask him," said Wood, who is staying with the Nancy Serrano and Paul Selvidge family at Mid Valley. On Friday, Wood gave Justin Pauls, 5-old-son of Mid Valley resident Otto Pauls, his first horse ride.

Sun photo by Carolyn Rice

History Society was accepted for membership in the Conference of California Historical Societies, which gives the society access to an extensive network on historic information across the state.

If you would like further information on membership or care to donate to the society, please contact: The Carmel Valley History Society, P.O. Box 1612, Carmel Valley, CA 93924, or call: 408-659-2411.

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For those of you who don't know what a lease-option is, it's not very difficult once you understand that it is really two separate contracts. 1. A lease. 2. An option.

Most of you know something about leases. A lease is an agreement where one party (the lessor) leases the use of real property to another party (the lessee) who pays for the use of the property (rent). Since this is pretty much common knowledge, I won't go into any detail about leases in this discussion.

An interesting thing happens, however, when a person is interested in possibly buying a particular piece of real estate, but (a) isn't quite sure if it's the right one, (b) isn't quite sure if their employment will be secure in the long term, or (c) just plain can't afford it yet. Well, that person has to live somewhere. Why not live in the property they might be interested in buying?

One problem is usually that the owner isn't interested in anything but selling the property right away and doesn't feel like moving out to let someone else lease it in the meantime. After all, the owner has to live somewhere too. Another problem is that the owner isn't interested in selling the property at all.

In a slow real estate market, however, or in a situation where the real property is not the principal residence of the owner (maybe it's a second home or simply an income property), the circumstances may just be right to consider a lease-option. After all, things can change.

The option part of a lease-option is sim-

ply this. The owner gives to the lessee (tenant, prospective purchaser) a right to purchase the property at some time in the future at a specified price. There is a period of time, called the option period, during which the option can be exercised by the lessee and the sale will go forward like any other sale (escrow will be opened, etc.).

What does the lessee give the owner for this valuable right to purchase in the future at a specified price? It may be called the Option price. It can take several forms, limited only by the imagination of the contracting parties. One form is for the lessee to immediately pay a lump sum for this right. Another form is for the lessee to make monthly installment payments of the Option price. You should note, however, that the option price is paid in addition to the rent. Two things are being purchased. One is the right to live there. The other is the right to purchase the property. The option price may not be very expensive, however, depending on all the circumstances.

In some cases, the option price will be applied to the purchase price. In other cases, it will not. This depends upon the specific contractual arrangements made by the parties.

Problems can sometimes arise if the option portion of the lease-option is not definite and certain enough. Since the option is actually a real estate purchase contract which has not yet been accepted (exercised) by the lessee, it is necessary that it contain all the material terms of purchase and sale that are required to support a real estate purchase contract. The preferable approach is to actually have a complete purchase contract attached as an exhibit to the lease-option and incorporated into it. At the

The Carmel Planning and Building Department reports 50 applications for subordinate units have been received since a new law requiring their registration took effect July 5.

Owners of Carmel's estimated 300 rental units were given 180 days to register. Inspections have been conducted on 27 units, the department said, and letters of corrections required sent to 20 of those. Most of the corrections relate to the need for smoke detectors or improper heating equipment.

The department said it would mail notices to adjoining property owners this week of its intent to issue a permit on six units. One request will be referred to the Planning Commission because the unit lacks a kitchen.

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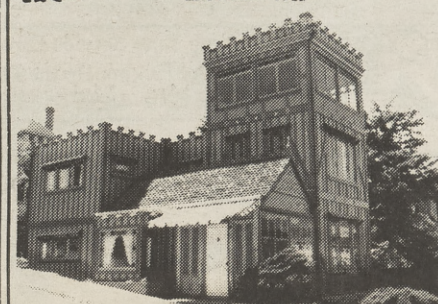
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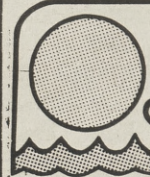
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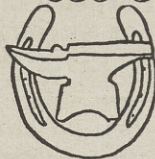
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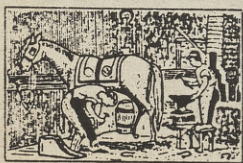
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Kelly Starrett Breaks Wrist; Lost To Padres for Early Grid Season

Coach Craig Johnson, looking for a third straight year of improvement under his tutelage at Carmel High, has gotten off to a bumpy start—one of his best returning football players suffered a broken hand.

Johnson welcomed back 15 returning lettermen this year, eight of them starters from last year's squad. But one of those starters, Kelly Starrett, a two-way player who was second-team all-league at tight end, will miss the start of the season.

Injured in practice last week, Starrett, definitely will miss at least the season opener against Harbor High on Sept. 14 and will be limited to playing defense for a few games if he can come back that quickly, Johnson said. It's hard to catch passes with your hand in a bulky cast.

Johnson said he still hopes to build his offense around the right side of the offensive line, which is back intact from last year's team which was 5-3-1 overall and 3-3 in Mission Trail Athletic League play.

In addition to Starrett, the returning offensive linemen include tackle Dominic Petrocelli, guard Chris Cannon and center Loi Yu. The team's other four returning starters are running back Tobin Leslie, linebackers Chris Bobb and David Beerman and defensive back Chad Christensen.

Leslie and Bobb were second team all-league last year with Starrett as Carmel fashioned its first winning season since 1986 in Johnson's second year at the helm.

But if the offensive line is Carmel's potential strength this year, one of Johnson's main worries is the defense. "If we can't stop anybody, it's going to be a long season," he said.

He added that a lot was riding on the performance of four juniors now slated to start on the defensive line. They are Jason Lindgren, Lance Thompson, Kyle Koontz

and Richard Simmons. If they can't do the job, Johnson said he would turn to his offensive players to try to plug the holes.

This year, Andrew Wilson, a lanky senior southpaw, is set to become the Padre quarterback, replacing Mario Bertolucci. He backed Bertolucci up last season, and Johnson, a former leading small college quarterback himself, expects a lot from him.

1991 Carmel High Football Schedule

Sept. 14	at Harbor
Sept. 21	Santa Cruz
Oct. 5	RL Stevenson
Oct. 12	Gonzales
Oct. 19	Aptos
Oct. 26	Palma
Nov. 1	at King City
Nov. 8	at Alisal
Nov. 15	at Pacific Grove

Bold denotes MTAL game

"He's paid attention (as a backup) and learned a lot. He had a good off-season, working out and throwing a lot," Johnson said. He added that Wilson is more of a play-action passer than a pure dropback thrower, but that play action will be important on a team built around the offensive line.

At fullback, Donovan McComb moves up from the junior varsity to fill the big shoes of graduated Dan Kurz. Johnson said McComb, a South African who is relatively new to football, is an outstanding athlete who high jumped 6-foot-5 last year as a sophomore.

An athlete's ability to leap vertically is a good indicator of his speed, Johnson noted. "He's very fast, has pretty



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good instincts, is very coachable and is a great guy."

Johnson agreed that "Palma's the team to beat" in the MTAL again this year. Palma has stayed atop the league for seven straight years, and King City is given the best chance of knocking the Chieftains off their lofty perch.

The adre will be improved this year, Johnson told the *Sun*, "but so will everyone else."

But Johnson said Gonzales would be improved and Alisal, under new coach Joe Mazzuca, should be much better. He noted Alisal had 1,900 students compared to

Carmel's 600.

Johnson declined to predict how Carmel would fare this year, but said "I think we'll be able to play with anyone in the league." He said he would continue to play relatively simple, fundamental football. Noting that his players had worked out all summer, he said he expected the Padres to be "quick rather than overpowering."

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